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**TOTIPOTENT HEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL
RECEPTORS AND THEIR LIGANDS**

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FIELD OF THE INVENTION

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The present invention relates to hematopoietic stem cell
receptors, ligands for such receptors, and nucleic acid
molecules encoding such receptors and ligands.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

25 The mammalian hematopoietic system comprises red and
white blood cells. These cells are the mature cells that
result from more primitive lineage-restricted cells. The
cells of the hematopoietic system have been reviewed by
Dexter and Spooncer in the Annual Review of Cell Biology 3,
423-441 (1987).

30 The red blood cells, or erythrocytes, result from
primitive cells referred to by Dexter and Spooncer as
erythroid burst-forming units (BFU-E). The immediate progeny
of the erythroid burst-forming units are called erythroid
colony-forming units (CFU-E).

35 The white blood cells contain the mature cells of the
lymphoid and myeloid systems. The lymphoid cells include B
lymphocytes and T lymphocytes. The B and T lymphocytes
result from earlier progenitor cells referred to by Dexter
and Spooncer as preT and preB cells.

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The myeloid system comprises a number of cells including
granulocytes, platelets, monocytes, macrophages, and

megakaryocytes. The granulocytes are further divided into neutrophils, eosinophils, basophils and mast cells.

Each of the mature hematopoietic cells are specialized for specific functions. For example, erythrocytes are responsible for oxygen and carbon dioxide transport. T and B lymphocytes are responsible for cell-and antibody-mediated immune responses, respectively. Platelets are involved in blood clotting. Granulocytes and macrophages act generally as scavengers and accessory cells in the immune response against invading organisms and their by-products.

At the center of the hematopoietic system lie one or more totipotent hematopoietic stem cells, which undergo a series of differentiation steps leading to increasingly lineage-restricted progenitor cells. The more mature progenitor cells are restricted to producing one or two lineages. Some examples of lineage-restricted progenitor cells mentioned by Dexter and Spooner include granulocyte/macrophage colony-forming cells (GM-CFC), megakaryocyte colony-forming cells (Meg-CFC), eosinophil colony-forming cells (Eos-CFC), and basophil colony-forming cells (Bas-CFC). Other examples of progenitor cells are discussed above.

The hematopoietic system functions by means of a precisely controlled production of the various mature lineages. The totipotent stem cell possesses the ability both to self renew and to differentiate into committed progenitors for all hematopoietic lineages. These most primitive of hematopoietic cells are both necessary and sufficient for the complete and permanent hematopoietic reconstitution of a radiation-ablated hematopoietic system in mammals. The ability of stem cells to reconstitute the entire hematopoietic system is the basis of bone marrow transplant therapy.

It is known that growth factors play an important role in the development and operation of the mammalian

hematopoietic system. The role of growth factors is complex, however, and not well understood at the present time. One reason for the uncertainty is that much of what is known about hematopoietic growth factors results from in vitro experiments. Such experiments do not necessarily reflect in vivo realities.

In addition, in vitro hematopoiesis can be established in the absence of added growth factors, provided that marrow stromal cells are added to the medium. The relationship between stromal cells and hematopoietic growth factors in vivo is not understood. Nevertheless, hematopoietic growth factors have been shown to be highly active in vivo.

From what is known about them, hematopoietic growth factors appear to exhibit a spectrum of activities. At one end of the spectrum are growth factors such as erythropoietin, which is believed to promote proliferation only of mature erythroid progenitor cells. In the middle of the spectrum are growth factors such as IL-3, which is believed to facilitate the growth and development of early stem cells as well as of numerous progenitor cells. Some examples of progenitor cells induced by IL-3 include those restricted to the granulocyte/macrophage, eosinophil, megakaryocyte, erythroid and mast cell lineages.

At the other end of the spectrum is the hematopoietic growth factor that, along with the corresponding receptor, was discussed in a series of articles in the October 5, 1990 edition of Cell. The receptor is the product of the W locus, c-kit, which is a member of the class of receptor protein tyrosine kinases. The ligand for c-kit, which is referred to by various names such as stem cell factor (SCF) and mast cell growth factor (MGF), is believed to be essential for the development of early hematopoietic stem cells and cells restricted to the erythroid and mast cell lineages in mice; see, for example, Copeland et al., Cell 63, 175-183 (1990).

It appears, therefore, that there are growth factors

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that exclusively affect mature cells. There also appear to be growth factors that affect both mature cells and stem cells. The growth factors that affect both types of cells may affect a small number or a large number of mature cells.

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There further appears to be an inverse relationship between the ability of a growth factor to affect mature cells and the ability of the growth factor to affect stem cells. For example, the c-kit ligand, which stimulates a small number of mature cells, is believed to be more important in the renewal and development of stem cells than is IL-3, which is reported to stimulate proliferation of many mature cells (see above).

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Prior to the present specification, there have been no reports of growth factors that exclusively stimulate stem cells in the absence of an effect on mature cells. The discovery of such growth factors would be of particular significance.

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As mentioned above, c-kit is a protein tyrosine kinase (pTK). It is becoming increasingly apparent that the protein tyrosine kinases play an important role as cellular receptors for hematopoietic growth factors. Other receptor pTKs include the receptors of colony stimulating factor 1 (CSF-1) and PDGF.

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The pTK family can be recognized by the presence of several conserved amino acid regions in the catalytic domain. These conserved regions are summarized by Hanks et al. in Science 241, 42-52 (1988), see Figure 1 starting on page 46 and by Wilks in Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 86, 1603-1607 (1989), see Figure 2 on page 1605.

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Additional protein tyrosine kinases that represent hematopoietic growth factor receptors are needed in order more effectively to stimulate the self-renewal of the totipotent hematopoietic stem cell and to stimulate the development of all cells of the hematopoietic system both in

vitro and in vivo. Novel hematopoietic growth factor receptors that are present only on primitive stem cells, but are not present on mature progenitor cells, are particularly desired. Ligands for the novel receptors are also desirable to act as hematopoietic growth factors. Nucleic acid sequences encoding the receptors and ligands are needed to produce recombinant receptors and ligands.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

These and other objectives as will be apparent to those with ordinary skill in the art have been met by providing isolated mammalian nucleic acid molecules encoding receptor protein tyrosine kinases expressed in primitive hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells. Also included are the receptors encoded by such nucleic acid molecules; the nucleic acid molecules encoding receptor protein tyrosine kinases having the sequences shown in Figure 1 (flk-2) and Figure 2 (flk-1); the receptor protein tyrosine kinases having the amino acid sequences shown in Figure 1 (flk-2) and Figure 2 (flk-1); ligands for the receptors; nucleic acid sequences that encode the ligands; and methods of stimulating the proliferation of primitive mammalian hematopoietic stem cells comprising contacting the stem cells with a ligand that binds to a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive mammalian hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.

DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure 1a.1-1a.3 shows the cDNA and amino acid sequences of murine flk-2. The amino acid residues occur directly below the nucleotides in the open reading frame. Amino acids 1-27 constitute the hydrophobic leader sequence. Amino acids 28-544 constitute the extracellular receptor domain. Amino acids 545-564 constitute the transmembrane region. The remainder of the amino acids constitute the intracellular catalytic domain. The following amino acid residues in the intracellular domain are catalytic sub-domains identified by

Hanks (see above): 545-564, 618-623, 811-819, 832-834, 857-862, 872-878. The sequence at residues 709-785 is a signature sequence characteristic of flk-2. The protein tyrosine kinases generally have a signature sequence in this region.

Figure 1b shows the cDNA and amino acid sequences of a portion of human flk-2 from the extracellular domain. Amino acids 1-110 of the human flk-2 correspond to amino acids 43-152 of murine flk-2.

Figure 1c shows the cDNA and amino acid sequences of a portion of human flk-2 from the intracellular (kinase) domain. Amino acids 1-94 of the human flk-2 correspond to amino acids 751-849 of murine flk-2.

Figure 2-2.3 shows the cDNA and amino acid sequences of flk-1. Amino acid residue 763-784 constitute the transmembrane region of flk-1.

Figure 3 shows the time response of binding between a murine stromal cell line (2018) and APTag-flk-2 as well as APTag-flk-1. APTag without receptor (SEAP) is used as a control. See Example 8.

Figure 4 shows the dose response of binding between stromal cells (2018) and APTag-flk-2 as well as APTag-flk-1. APTag without receptor (SEAP) is used as a control. See Example 8.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Receptors

In one embodiment, the invention relates to an isolated mammalian nucleic acid molecule encoding a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive mammalian hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.

The nucleic acid molecule may be a DNA, cDNA, or RNA molecule. The mammal in which the nucleic acid molecule exists may be any mammal, such as a mouse, rat, rabbit, or human.

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The nucleic acid molecule encodes a protein tyrosine kinase (pTK). Members of the pTK family can be recognized by the conserved amino acid regions in the catalytic domains. Examples of pTK consensus sequences have been provided by Hanks et al. in Science 241, 42-52 (1988); see especially Figure 1 starting on page 46 and by Wilks in Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 86, 1603-1607 (1989); see especially Figure 2 on page 1605. A methionine residue at position 205 in the conserved sequence WMAPES is characteristic of pTK's that are receptors.

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The Hanks et al article identifies eleven catalytic subdomains containing pTK consensus residues and sequences. The pTKs of the present invention will have most or all of these consensus residues and sequences.

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Some particularly strongly conserved residues and sequences are shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1

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Conserved Residues and Sequences in pTKs¹

	<u>Position²</u>	<u>Residue or Sequence</u>	<u>Catalytic Domain</u>
30	50	G	I
	52	G	I
	57	V	I
	70	A	II
35	72	K	II
	91	E	III
	166	D	VI
	171	N	VI
	184-186	DFG	VII
40	208	E	VIII
	220	D	IX
	225	G	IX
	280	R	XI

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1. See Hanks et al., Science 241, 42-52 (1988)
2. Adjusted in accordance with Hanks et al., Id.

A pTK of the invention may contain all thirteen of these highly conserved residues and sequences. As a result of natural or synthetic mutations, the pTKs of the invention may contain fewer than all thirteen strongly conserved residues and sequences, such as 11, 9, or 7 such sequences.

The receptors of the invention generally belong to the same class of pTK sequences that c-kit belongs to. It has surprisingly been discovered, however, that a new functional class of receptor pTKs exists. The new functional class of receptor pTKs is expressed in primitive hematopoietic cells, but not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.

For the purpose of this specification, a primitive hematopoietic cell is totipotent, i.e. capable of reconstituting all hematopoietic blood cells in vivo. A mature hematopoietic cell is non-self-renewing, and has limited proliferative capacity - i.e., a limited ability to give rise to multiple lineages. Mature hematopoietic cells, for the purposes of this specification, are generally capable of giving rise to only one or two lineages in vitro or in vivo.

It should be understood that the hematopoietic system is complex, and contains many intermediate cells between the primitive totipotent hematopoietic stem cell and the totally committed mature hematopoietic cells defined above. As the stem cell develops into increasingly mature, lineage-restricted cells, it gradually loses its capacity for self-renewal.

The receptors of the present invention may and may not be expressed in these intermediate cells. The necessary and sufficient condition that defines members of the new class of receptors is that they are present in the primitive, totipotent stem cell or cells, and not in mature cells restricted only to one or, at most, two lineages.

An example of a member of the new class of receptor pTKs

is called fetal liver kinase 2 (flk-2) after the organ in which it was found. There is approximately 1 totipotent stem cell per 10^4 cells in mid-gestation (day 14) fetal liver in mice. In addition to fetal liver, flk-2 is also expressed in fetal spleen, fetal thymus, adult brain, and adult marrow.

For example, flk-2 is expressed in individual multipotential CFU-Blast colonies capable of generating numerous multilineage colonies upon replating. It is likely, therefore, that flk-2 is expressed in the entire primitive (i.e. self-renewing) portion of the hematopoietic hierarchy. This discovery is consistent with flk-2 being important in transducing putative self-renewal signals from the environment.

It is particularly relevant that the expression of flk-2 mRNA occurs in the most primitive thymocyte subset. Even in two closely linked immature subsets that differ in expression of the IL-2 receptor, flk-2 expression segregates to the more primitive subset lacking an IL-2 receptor. The earliest thymocyte subset is believed to be uncommitted. Therefore, the thymocytes expressing flk-2 may be multipotential. flk-2 is the first receptor tyrosine kinase known to be expressed in the T-lymphoid lineage.

The fetal liver mRNA migrates relative to 28S and 18S ribosomal bands on formaldehyde agarose gels at approximately 3.5 kb while the brain message is considerably larger. In adult tissues, flk-2 mRNA from both brain and bone marrow migrated at approximately 3.5 kb.

A second pTK receptor is also included in the present invention. This second receptor, which is called fetal liver kinase 1 (flk-1), is not a member of the same class of receptors as flk-2, since flk-1 may be found in some more mature hematopoietic cells. The amino acid sequence of flk-1 is given in Figure 2.

The present invention includes the flk-1 receptor as

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well as DNA, cDNA and RNA encoding flk-1. The DNA sequence of flk-1 is also given in Figure 2. Flk-1 may be found in the same organs as flk-2, as well as in fetal brain, stomach, kidney, lung, heart and intestine; and in adult kidney,
5 heart, spleen, lung, muscle, and lymph nodes.

The receptor protein tyrosine kinases of the invention are known to be divided into easily found domains. The DNA sequence corresponding to the pTKs encode, starting at their
10 5'-ends, a hydrophobic leader sequence followed by a hydrophilic extracellular domain, which binds to, and is activated by, a specific ligand. Immediately downstream from the extracellular receptor domain, is a hydrophobic transmembrane region. The transmembrane region is
15 immediately followed by a basic catalytic domain, which may easily be identified by reference to the Hanks et al. and Wilks articles discussed above.

The present invention includes the extracellular
20 receptor domain lacking the transmembrane region and catalytic domain. Preferably, the hydrophobic leader sequence is also removed from the extracellular domain. In the case of flk-2, the hydrophobic leader sequence includes amino acids 1-27.

25 These regions and domains may easily be visually identified by those having ordinary skill in the art by reviewing the amino acid sequence in a suspected pTK and comparing it to known pTKs. For example, referring to Figure
30 1a, the transmembrane region of flk-2, which separates the extracellular receptor domain from the catalytic domain, is encoded by nucleotides 1663 (T) to 1722 (C). These nucleotides correspond to amino acid residues 545 (Phe) to 564 (Cys). The amino acid sequence between the transmembrane
35 region and the catalytic sub-domain (amino acids 618-623) identified by Hanks et al. as sub-domain I (i.e., GXGXXG) is characteristic of receptor protein tyrosine kinases.

The extracellular domain may also be identified through

commonly recognized criteria of extracellular amino acid sequences. The determination of appropriate criteria is known to those skilled in the art, and has been described, for example, by Hopp et al, Proc. Nat'l Acad. Sci. USA 78, 3824-3828 (1981); Kyte et al, J. Mol. Biol. 157, 105-132 (1982); Emini, J. Virol. 55, 836-839 (1985); Jameson et al, CA BIOS 4, 181-186 (1988); and Karplus et al, Naturwissenschaften 72, 212-213 (1985). Amino acid domains predicted by these criteria to be surface exposed characteristic of extracellular domains.

As will be discussed in more detail below, the nucleic acid molecules that encode the receptors of the invention may be inserted into known vectors for use in standard recombinant DNA techniques. Standard recombinant DNA techniques are those such as are described in Sambrook et al., "Molecular Cloning," Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press (1987) and by Ausubel et al., Eds, "Current Protocols in Molecular Biology," Green Publishing Associates and Wiley-Interscience, New York (1987). The vectors may be circular (i.e. plasmids) or non-circular. Standard vectors are available for cloning and expression in a host. The host may be prokaryotic or eucaryotic. Prokaryotic hosts are preferably E. coli. Preferred eucaryotic hosts include yeast, insect and mammalian cells. Preferred mammalian cells include, for example, CHO, COS and human cells.

Ligands

The invention also includes ligands that bind to the receptor pTKs of the invention. In addition to binding, the ligands stimulate the proliferation of additional primitive stem cells, differentiation into more mature progenitor cells, or both.

The ligand may be a growth factor that occurs naturally in a mammal, preferably the same mammal that produces the corresponding receptor. The growth factor may be isolated and purified, or be present on the surface of an isolated

population of cells, such as stromal cells.

5 The ligand may also be a molecule that does not occur naturally in a mammal. For example, antibodies, preferably monoclonal, raised against the receptors of the invention or against anti-ligand antibodies mimic the shape of, and act as, ligands if they constitute the negative image of the receptor or anti-ligand antibody binding site. The ligand may also be a non-protein molecule that acts as a ligand when
10 it binds to, or otherwise comes into contact with, the receptor.

In another embodiment, nucleic acid molecules encoding the ligands of the invention are provided. The nucleic acid
15 molecule may be RNA, DNA or cDNA.

Stimulating Proliferation of Stem Cells

20 The invention also includes a method of stimulating the proliferation and/or differentiation of primitive mammalian hematopoietic stem cells as defined above. The method comprises contacting the stem cells with a ligand in accordance with the present invention. The stimulation of proliferation and/or differentiation may occur in vitro or in vivo.
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The ability of a ligand according to the invention to stimulate proliferation of stem cells in vitro and in vivo has important therapeutic applications. Such applications
30 include treating mammals, including humans, whose primitive stem cells do not sufficiently undergo self-renewal. Example of such medical problems include those that occur when defects in hematopoietic stem cells or their related growth factors depress the number of white blood cells. Examples of
35 such medical problems include anemia, such as macrocytic and aplastic anemia. Bone marrow damage resulting from cancer chemotherapy and radiation is another example of a medical problem that would be helped by the stem cell factors of the invention.

Functional Equivalents

The invention includes functional equivalents of the pTK receptors, receptor domains, and ligands described above as well as of the nucleic acid sequences encoding them. A protein is considered a functional equivalent of another protein for a specific function if the equivalent protein is immunologically cross-reactive with, and has the same function as, the receptors and ligands of the invention. The equivalent may, for example, be a fragment of the protein, or a substitution, addition or deletion mutant of the protein.

For example, it is possible to substitute amino acids in a sequence with equivalent amino acids. Groups of amino acids known normally to be equivalent are:

- (a) Ala(A) Ser(S) Thr(T) Pro(P) Gly(G);
- (b) Asn(N) Asp(D) Glu(E) Gln(Q);
- (c) His(H) Arg(R) Lys(K);
- (d) Met(M) Leu(L) Ile(I) Val(V); and
- (e) Phe(F) Tyr(Y) Trp(W).

Substitutions, additions and/or deletions in the receptors and ligands may be made as long as the resulting equivalent receptors and ligands are immunologically cross reactive with, and have the same function as, the native receptors and ligands.

The equivalent receptors and ligands will normally have substantially the same amino acid sequence as the native receptors and ligands. An amino acid sequence that is substantially the same as another sequence, but that differs from the other sequence by means of one or more substitutions, additions and/or deletions is considered to be an equivalent sequence. Preferably, less than 25%, more preferably less than 10%, and most preferably less than 5% of the number of amino acid residues in the amino acid sequence of the native receptors and ligands are substituted for, added to, or deleted from.

Equivalent nucleic acid molecules include nucleic acid sequences that encode equivalent receptors and ligands as defined above. Equivalent nucleic acid molecules also include nucleic acid sequences that differ from native
5 nucleic acid sequences in ways that do not affect the corresponding amino acid sequences.

ISOLATION OF NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES AND PROTEINS

10 Isolation of Nucleic Acid Molecules Encoding Receptors

In order to produce nucleic acid molecules encoding mammalian stem cell receptors, a source of stem cells is provided. Suitable sources include fetal liver, spleen, or
15 thymus cells or adult marrow or brain cells.

For example, suitable mouse fetal liver cells may be obtained at day 14 of gestation. Mouse fetal thymus cells may be obtained at day 14-18, preferably day 15, of
20 gestation. Suitable fetal cells of other mammals are obtained at gestation times corresponding to those of mouse.

Total RNA is prepared by standard procedures from stem cell receptor-containing tissue. The total RNA is used to
25 direct cDNA synthesis. Standard methods for isolating RNA and synthesizing cDNA are provided in standard manuals of molecular biology such as, for example, in Sambrook et al., "Molecular Cloning," Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press (1987) and in Ausubel et al., (Eds),
30 "Current Protocols in Molecular Biology," Greene Associates/Wiley Interscience, New York (1990).

The cDNA of the receptors is amplified by known methods. For example, the cDNA may be used as a template for
35 amplification by polymerase chain reaction (PCR); see Saiki et al., Science, 239, 487 (1988) or Mullis et al., U.S. patent 4,683,195. The sequences of the oligonucleotide primers for the PCR amplification are derived from the sequences of known receptors, such as from the sequences

given in Figures 1 and 2 for flk-2 and flk-1, respectively, preferably from flk-2. The oligonucleotides are synthesized by methods known in the art. Suitable methods include those described by Caruthers in Science 230, 281-285 (1985).

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In order to isolate the entire protein-coding regions for the receptors of the invention, the upstream oligonucleotide is complementary to the sequence at the 5' end, preferably encompassing the ATG start codon and at least 5-10 nucleotides upstream of the start codon. The downstream oligonucleotide is complementary to the sequence at the 3' end, optionally encompassing the stop codon. A mixture of upstream and downstream oligonucleotides are used in the PCR amplification. The conditions are optimized for each particular primer pair according to standard procedures. The PCR product is analyzed by electrophoresis for the correct size cDNA corresponding to the sequence between the primers.

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Alternatively, the coding region may be amplified in two or more overlapping fragments. The overlapping fragments are designed to include a restriction site permitting the assembly of the intact cDNA from the fragments.

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The amplified DNA encoding the receptors of the invention may be replicated in a wide variety of cloning vectors in a wide variety of host cells. The host cell may be prokaryotic or eukaryotic. The DNA may be obtained from natural sources and, optionally, modified, or may be synthesized in whole or in part.

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The vector into which the DNA is spliced may comprise segments of chromosomal, non-chromosomal and synthetic DNA sequences. Some suitable prokaryotic cloning vectors include plasmids from E. coli, such as colE1, pCR1, pBR322, pMB9, pUC, pKSM, and RP4. Prokaryotic vectors also include derivatives of phage DNA such as M13 and other filamentous single-stranded DNA phages.

Isolation of Receptors

DNA encoding the receptors of the invention are inserted into a suitable vector and expressed in a suitable prokaryotic or eucaryotic host. Vectors for expressing proteins in bacteria, especially E.coli, are known. Such vectors include the PATH vectors described by Dieckmann and Tzagoloff in J. Biol. Chem. 260, 1513-1520 (1985). These vectors contain DNA sequences that encode anthranilate synthetase (TrpE) followed by a polylinker at the carboxy terminus. Other expression vector systems are based on beta-galactosidase (pEX); lambda P_L; maltose binding protein (pMAL); and glutathione S-transferase (pGST) - see Gene 67, 31 (1988) and Peptide Research 3, 167 (1990).

Vectors useful in yeast are available. A suitable example is the 2 μ plasmid.

Suitable vectors for use in mammalian cells are also known. Such vectors include well-known derivatives of SV-40, adenovirus, retrovirus-derived DNA sequences and vectors derived from combination of plasmids and phage DNA.

Further eukaryotic expression vectors are known in the art (e.g., P.J. Southern and P. Berg, J. Mol. Appl. Genet. 1, 327-341 (1982); S. Subramani et al, Mol. Cell. Biol. 1, 854-864 (1981); R.J. Kaufmann and P.A. Sharp, "Amplification And Expression Of Sequences Cotransfected with A Modular Dihydrofolate Reductase Complementary DNA Gene," J. Mol. Biol. 159, 601-621 (1982); R.J. Kaufmann and P.A. Sharp, Mol. Cell. Biol. 159, 601-664 (1982); S.I. Scahill et al, "Expression And Characterization Of The Product Of A Human Immune Interferon DNA Gene In Chinese Hamster Ovary Cells," Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 80, 4654-4659 (1983); G. Urlaub and L.A. Chasin, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 77, 4216-4220, (1980).

The expression vectors useful in the present invention contain at least one expression control sequence that is

operatively linked to the DNA sequence or fragment to be expressed. The control sequence is inserted in the vector in order to control and to regulate the expression of the cloned DNA sequence. Examples of useful expression control
5 sequences are the lac system, the trp system, the tac system, the trc system, major operator and promoter regions of phage lambda, the control region of fd coat protein, the glycolytic promoters of yeast, e.g., the promoter for 3-phosphoglycerate kinase, the promoters of yeast acid phosphatase, e.g., Pho5,
10 the promoters of the yeast alpha-mating factors, and promoters derived from polyoma, adenovirus, retrovirus, and simian virus, e.g., the early and late promoters of SV40, and other sequences known to control the expression of genes of prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells and their viruses or
15 combinations thereof.

Vectors containing the receptor-encoding DNA and control signals are inserted into a host cell for expression of the receptor. Some useful expression host cells include well-
20 known prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells. Some suitable prokaryotic hosts include, for example, E. coli, such as E. coli SG-936, E. coli HB 101, E. coli W3110, E. coli X1776, E. coli X2282, E. coli DHI, and E. coli MRC1, Pseudomonas, Bacillus, such as Bacillus subtilis, and Streptomyces.
25 Suitable eukaryotic cells include yeast and other fungi, insect, animal cells, such as COS cells and CHO cells, human cells and plant cells in tissue culture.

The human homologs of the mouse receptors described
30 above are isolated by a similar strategy. RNA encoding the receptors are obtained from a source of human cells enriched for primitive stem cells. Suitable human cells include fetal spleen, thymus and liver cells, and umbilical cord blood as well as adult brain and bone marrow cells. The human fetal
35 cells are preferably obtained on the day of gestation corresponding to mid-gestation in mice. The amino acid sequences of the human flk receptors as well as of the nucleic acid sequences encoding them are homologous to the amino acid and nucleotide sequences of the mouse receptors.

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In the present specification, the sequence of a first protein, such as a receptor or a ligand, or of a nucleic acid molecule that encodes the protein, is considered homologous to a second protein or nucleic acid molecule if the amino acid or nucleotide sequence of the first protein or nucleic acid molecule is at least about 30% homologous, preferably at least about 50% homologous, and more preferably at least about 65% homologous to the respective sequences of the second protein or nucleic acid molecule. In the case of proteins having high homology, the amino acid or nucleotide sequence of the first protein or nucleic acid molecule is at least about 75% homologous, preferably at least about 85% homologous, and more preferably at least about 95% homologous to the amino acid or nucleotide sequence of the second protein or nucleic acid molecule.

Combinations of mouse oligonucleotide pairs are used as PCR primers to amplify the human homologs from the cells to account for sequence divergence. The remainder of the procedure for obtaining the human flk homologs are similar to those described above for obtaining mouse flk receptors. The less than perfect homology between the human flk homologs and the mouse oligonucleotides is taken into account in determining the stringency of the hybridization conditions.

Assay for expression of Receptors on Stem Cells

In order to demonstrate the expression of flk receptors on the surface of primitive hematopoietic stem cells, antibodies that recognize the receptor are raised. The receptor may be the entire protein as it exists in nature, or an antigenic fragment of the whole protein. Preferably, the fragment comprises the predicted extracellular portion of the molecule.

Antigenic fragments may be identified by methods known in the art. Fragments containing antigenic sequences may be selected on the basis of generally accepted criteria of potential antigenicity and/or exposure. Such criteria

include the hydrophilicity and relative antigenic index, as determined by surface exposure analysis of proteins. The determination of appropriate criteria is known to those skilled in the art, and has been described, for example, by
5 Hopp et al, Proc. Nat'l Acad. Sci. USA 78, 3824-3828 (1981); Kyte et al, J. Mol. Biol. 157, 105-132 (1982); Emini, J. Virol. 55, 836-839 (1985); Jameson et al, CA BIOS 4, 181-186 (1988); and Karplus et al, Naturwissenschaften 72, 212-213 (1985). Amino acid domains predicted by these criteria to be
10 surface exposed are selected preferentially over domains predicted to be more hydrophobic or hidden.

The proteins and fragments of the receptors to be used as antigens may be prepared by methods known in the art.
15 Such methods include isolating or synthesizing DNA encoding the proteins and fragments, and using the DNA to produce recombinant proteins, as described above.

Fragments of proteins and DNA encoding the fragments may
20 be chemically synthesized by methods known in the art from individual amino acids and nucleotides. Suitable methods for synthesizing protein fragments are described by Stuart and Young in "Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis," Second Edition, Pierce Chemical Company (1984). Suitable methods for
25 synthesizing DNA fragments are described by Caruthers in Science 230, 281-285 (1985).

If the receptor fragment defines the epitope, but is too short to be antigenic, it may be conjugated to a carrier
30 molecule in order to produce antibodies. Some suitable carrier molecules include keyhole limpet hemocyanin, Ig sequences, TrpE, and human or bovine serum albumen. Conjugation may be carried out by methods known in the art. One such method is to combine a cysteine residue of the
35 fragment with a cysteine residue on the carrier molecule.

The antibodies are preferably monoclonal. Monoclonal antibodies may be produced by methods known in the art. These methods include the immunological method described by

Kohler and Milstein in Nature 256, 495-497 (1975) and Campbell in "Monoclonal Antibody Technology, The Production and Characterization of Rodent and Human Hybridomas" in Burdon et al., Eds, Laboratory Techniques in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Volume 13, Elsevier Science Publishers, Amsterdam (1985); as well as by the recombinant DNA method described by Huse et al in Science 246, 1275-1281 (1989).

Polyclonal or monoclonal antisera shown to be reactive with receptor-encoded native proteins, such as with flk-1 and flk-2 encoded proteins, expressed on the surface of viable cells are used to isolate antibody-positive cells. One method for isolating such cells is flow cytometry; see, for example, Loken et al., European patent application 317,156. The cells obtained are assayed for stem cells by engraftment into radiation-ablated hosts by methods known in the art; see, for example, Jordan et al., Cell 61, 953-963 (1990).

Criteria for Novel Stem Cell Receptor Tyrosine Kinases Expressed in Stem Cells

Additional novel receptor tyrosine kinase cDNAs are obtained by amplifying cDNAs from stem cell populations using oligonucleotides as PCR primers; see above. Examples of suitable oligonucleotides are PTK1 and PTK2, which were described by Wilks et al. in Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 86, 1603-1607 (1989). Novel cDNA is selected on the basis of differential hybridization screening with probes representing known kinases. The cDNA clones hybridizing only at low stringency are selected and sequenced. The presence of the amino acid triplet DFG confirms that the sequence represents a kinase. The diagnostic methionine residue in the WMAPES motif is indicative of a receptor-like kinase, as described above. Potentially novel sequences obtained are compared to available sequences using databases such as Genbank in order to confirm uniqueness. Gene-specific oligonucleotides are prepared as described above based on the sequence obtained. The oligonucleotides are used to analyze stem cell enriched and depleted populations for expression. Such cell populations in mice are described, for example, by Jordan et

al. in Cell 61, 953-956 (1990); Ikuta et al. in Cell 62, 863-864 (1990); Spangrude et al. in Science 241, 58-62 (1988); and Szilvassy et al. in Blood 74, 930-939 (1989). Examples of such human cell populations are described as CD33⁻CD34⁺ by Andrews et al. in the Journal of Experimental Medicine 169, 1721-1731 (1989). Other human stem cell populations are described, for example, in Civin et al., European Patent Application 395,355 and in Loken et al., European Patent Application 317,156.

Isolating Ligands and Nucleic Acid Molecules Encoding Ligands

Cells that may be used for obtaining ligands include stromal cells, for example stromal cells from fetal liver, fetal spleen, fetal thymus and fetal or adult bone marrow. Cell lines expressing ligands are established and screened.

For example, cells such as stromal (non-hematopoietic) cells from fetal liver are immortalized by known methods. Examples of known methods of immortalizing cells include transduction with a temperature sensitive SV40 T-antigen expressed in a retroviral vector. Infection of fetal liver cells with this virus permits the rapid and efficient establishment of multiple independent cell lines. These lines are screened for ligand activity by methods known in the art, such as those outlined below.

Ligands for the receptors of the invention, such as flk-1 and flk-2, may be obtained from the cells in several ways. For example, a bioassay system for ligand activity employs chimeric tagged receptors; see, for example, Flanagan et al., Cell 63, 185-194 (1990). One strategy measures ligand binding directly via a histochemical assay. Fusion proteins comprising the extracellular receptor domains and secretable alkaline phosphatase (SEAP) are constructed and transfected into suitable cells such as NIH/3T3 or COS cells. Flanagan et al. refer to such DNA or amino acid constructs as APTag followed by the name of the receptor - i.e. APTag-c-kit. The fusion proteins bind with high affinity to cells expressing

surface-bound ligand. Binding is detectable by the enzymatic activity of the alkaline phosphatase secreted into the medium. The bound cells, which are often stromal cells, are isolated from the APTag-receptor complex.

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For example, some stromal cells that bind APTag-flk1 and APTag-flk2 fusion proteins include mouse fetal liver cells (see example 1); human fetal spleen cells (see example 3); and human fetal liver (example 3). Some stromal fetal thymus
10 cells contain flk-1 ligand (example 3).

To clone the cDNA that encodes the ligand, a cDNA library is constructed from the isolated stromal cells in a suitable expression vector, preferably a phage such as CDM8,
15 pSV Sport (BRL Gibco) or piH3, (Seed et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 84, 3365-3369 (1987)). The library is transfected into suitable host cells, such as COS cells. Cells containing ligands on their surface are detected by known methods, see above.

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In one such method, transfected COS cells are distributed into single cell suspensions and incubated with the secreted alkaline phosphatase-flk receptor fusion protein, which is present in the medium from NIH/3T3 or COS
25 cells prepared by the method described by Flanagan et al., see above. Alkaline phosphatase-receptor fusion proteins that are not bound to the cells are removed by centrifugation, and the cells are panned on plates coated with antibodies to alkaline phosphatase. Bound cells are
30 isolated following several washes with a suitable wash reagent, such as 5% fetal bovine serum in PBS, and the DNA is extracted from the cells. Additional details of the panning method described above may be found in an article by Seed et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 84, 3365-3369 (1987).

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In a second strategy, the putative extracellular ligand binding domains of the receptors are fused to the transmembrane and kinase domains of the human c-fms tyrosine kinase and introduced into 3T3 fibroblasts. The human c-fms

kinase is necessary and sufficient to transduce proliferative signals in these cells after appropriate activation i.e. with the flk-1 or flk-2 ligand. The 3T3 cells expressing the chimeras are used to screen putative sources of ligand in a cell proliferation assay.

An alternate approach for isolating ligands using the fusion receptor-expressing 3T3 cells and insertional activation is also possible. A retrovirus is introduced into random chromosomal positions in a large population of these cells. In a small fraction, the retrovirus is inserted in the vicinity of the ligand-encoding gene, thereby activating it. These cells proliferate due to autocrine stimulation of the receptor. The ligand gene is "tagged" by the retrovirus, thus facilitating its isolation.

Examples

Example 1. Cells containing mouse flk-1 and flk-2 ligands. Murine stromal cell line 2018.

In order to establish stromal cell lines, fetal liver cells are disaggregated with collagen and grown in a mixture of Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium (DMEM) and 10% heat-inactivated fetal calf serum at 37°C. The cells are immortalized by standard methods. A suitable method involves introducing DNA encoding a growth regulating- or oncogene-encoding sequence into the target host cell. The DNA may be introduced by means of transduction in a recombinant viral particle or transfection in a plasmid. See, for example, Hammerschmidt et al., Nature 340, 393-397 (1989) and Abcouwer et al, Biotechnology 7, 939-946 (1989). Retroviruses are the preferred viral vectors, although SV40 and Epstein-Barr virus can also serve as donors of the growth-enhancing sequences. A suitable retrovirus is the ecotropic retrovirus containing a temperature sensitive SV40 T-antigen (tsA58) and a G418 resistance gene described by McKay in Cell 66, 713-729 (1991). After several days at 37°C, the temperature of the medium is lowered to 32°C. Cells are selected with G418 (0.5

mg/ml). The selected cells are expanded and maintained.

A mouse stromal cell line produced by this procedure is called 2018 and was deposited on October 30, 1991 in the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland, USA (ATCC); accession number CRL 10907.

Example 2. Cells containing human flk-1 and flk-2 ligands.

Human fetal liver (18, 20, and 33 weeks after abortion), spleen (18 weeks after abortion), or thymus (20 weeks after abortion) is removed at the time of abortion and stored on ice in a balanced salt solution. After mincing into 1 mm fragments and forcing through a wire mesh, the tissue is washed one time in Hanks Balanced Salt Solution (HBSS).

The disrupted tissue is centrifuged at 200 xg for 15 minutes at room temperature. The resulting pellet is resuspended in 10-20 ml of a tissue culture grade trypsin-EDTA solution (Flow Laboratories). The resuspended tissue is transferred to a sterile flask and stirred with a stirring bar at room temperature for 10 minutes. One ml of heat-inactivated fetal bovine calf serum (Hyclone) is added to a final concentration of 10% in order to inhibit trypsin activity. Collagenase type IV (Sigma) is added from a stock solution (10 mg/ml in HBSS) to a final concentration of 100 µg/ml in order to disrupt the stromal cells. The tissue is stirred at room temperature for an additional 2.5 hours; collected by centrifugation (400xg, 15 minutes); and resuspended in "stromal medium," which contains Iscove's modification of DMEM supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated fetal calf serum, 5% heat-inactivated human serum (Sigma), 4 mM L-glutamine, 1x sodium pyruvate, (stock of 100x Sigma), 1x non-essential amino acids (stock of 100x, Flow), and a mixture of antibiotics kanomycin, neomycin, penicillin, streptomycin. Prior to resuspending the pellet in the stromal medium, the pellet is washed one time with HBSS. It is convenient to suspend the cells in 60 ml of medium. The number of cultures depends on the amount of

tissue.

Example 3. Isolating Stromal cells

5 Resuspended Cells (example 2) that are incubated at 37°C
with 5% carbon dioxide begin to adhere to the plastic plate
within 10-48 hours. Confluent monolayers may be observed
within 7-10 days, depending upon the number of cells plated
10 in the initial inoculum. Non-adherent and highly refractile
cells adhering to the stromal cell layer as colonies are
separately removed by pipetting and frozen. Non-adherent
cells are likely sources of populations of self-renewing stem
cells containing flk-2. The adherent stromal cell layers are
15 frozen in aliquots for future studies or expanded for growth
in culture.

 An unexpectedly high level of APTag-flk-2 fusion protein
binding to the fetal spleen cells is observed. Two fetal
20 spleen lines are grown in "stromal medium," which is
described in example 2.

 Non-adherent fetal stem cells attach to the stromal
cells and form colonies (colony forming unit - CFU). Stromal
25 cells and CFU are isolated by means of sterile glass
cylinders and expanded in culture. A clone, called Fsp
62891, contains the flk-2 ligand. Fsp 62891 was deposited in
the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland,
U.S.A on November 21, 1991, accession number CRL 10935.

30 Fetal liver and fetal thymus cells are prepared in a
similar way. Both of these cell types produce ligands of
flk-1 and, in the case of liver, some flk-2. One such fetal
thymus cell line, called F.thy 62891, and one such fetal
35 liver cell line, called FL 62891, were deposited in the
American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland, U.S.A
on November 21, 1991 and April 2, 1992, respectively,
accession numbers CRL 10936 and CRL 11005, respectively.

40 Stable human cell lines are prepared from fetal cells

with the same temperature sensitive immortalizing virus used to prepare the murine cell line described in example 1.

Example 4. Isolation of human stromal cell clone

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Highly refractile cells overgrow patches of stromal cells, presumably because the stromal cells produce factors that allow the formation of the CFU. To isolate stromal cell clones, sterile glass cylinders coated with vacuum grease are positioned over the CFU. A trypsin-EDTA solution (100 ml) is added in order to detach the cells. The cells are added to 5 ml of stromal medium and each (clone) plated in a single well of 6-well plate.

15 **Example 5. Plasmid (AP-tag) for expressing secretable alkaline phosphatase (SEAP)**

Plasmids that express secretable alkaline phosphatase are described by Flanagan and Leder in Cell 63, 185-194 (1990). The plasmids contain a promoter, such as the LTR promoter; a polylinker, including HindIII and BglIII; DNA encoding SEAP; a poly-A signal; and ampicillin resistance gene; and replication site.

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Example 6. Plasmid for expressing APTag-flk-2 and APTag-flk-1 fusion proteins

30 Plasmids that express fusion proteins of SEAP and the extracellular portion of either flk-1 or flk-2 are prepared in accordance with the protocols of Flanagan and Leder in Cell 63, 185-194 (1990) and Berger et al., Gene 66, 1-10 (1988). Briefly, a HindIII-Bam HI fragment containing the extracellular portion of flk-1 or flk-2 is prepared and inserted into the HindIII-BglIII site of the plasmid described in example 5.

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40 **Example 7. Production Of APTag-flk-1 Or -flk-2 Fusion Protein**

The plasmids from Example 6 are transfected into Cos-7 cells by DEAE-dextran (as described in Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, Unit 16.13, "Transient Expression of Proteins Using Cos Cells," 1991); and cotransfected with a selectable marker, such as pSV7neo, into NIH/3T3 cells by calcium precipitation. The NIH/3T3 cells are selected with 600 μ g/ml G418 in 100 mm plates. Over 300 clones are screened for secretion of placental alkaline phosphatase activity. The assay is performed by heating a portion of the supernatant at 65°C for 10 minutes to inactivate background phosphatase activity, and measuring the OD₄₀₅ after incubating with 1M diethanolamine (pH 9.8), 0.5 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM L-homoarginine (a phosphatase inhibitor), 0.5 mg/ml BSA, and 12 mM p-nitrophenyl phosphate. Human placental alkaline phosphatase is used to perform a standard curve. The APTag-flk-1 clones (F-1AP21-4) produce up to 10 μ g alkaline phosphatase activity/ml and the APTag-flk-2 clones (F-2AP26-0) produce up to 0.5 μ g alkaline phosphatase activity/ml.

Example 8. Assay For APTag-flk-1 Or APTag-flk-2 Binding To Cells

The binding of APTag-flk-1 or APTag-flk-2 to cells containing the appropriate ligand is assayed by standard methods. See, for example, Flanagan and Leder, Cell 63:185-194, 1990). Cells (i.e., mouse stromal cells, human fetal liver, spleen or thymus, or various control cells) are grown to confluency in six-well plates and washed with HBHA (Hank's balanced salt solution with 0.5 mg/ml BSA, 0.02% NaN₃, 20 mM HEPES, pH 7.0). Supernatants from transfected COS or NIH/3T3 cells containing either APTag-flk-1 fusion protein, APTag-flk-2 fusion protein, or APTag without a receptor (as a control) are added to the cell monolayers and incubated for two hours at room temperature on a rotating platform. The concentration of the APTag-flk-1 fusion protein, APTag-flk-2 fusion protein, or APTag without a receptor is 60 ng/ml of alkaline phosphatase as determined by the standard alkaline

phosphatase curve (see above). The cells are then rinsed seven times with HBHA and lysed in 350 μ l of 1% Triton X-100, 10 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0). The lysates are transferred to a microfuge tube, along with a further 150 μ l rinse with the same solution. After vortexing vigorously, the samples are centrifuged for five minutes in a microfuge, heated at 65°C for 12 minutes to inactivate cellular phosphatases, and assayed for phosphatase activity as described previously. Results of experiments designed to show the time and dose responses of binding between stromal cells containing the ligands to flk-2 and flk-1 (2018) and APTag-flk-2, APTag-flk-1 and APTag without receptor (as a control) are shown in Figures 3 and 4, respectively.

Example 8A. Plasmids for expressing flk1/fms and flk2/fms fusion proteins

Plasmids that express fusion proteins of the extracellular portion of either flk-1 or flk-2 and the intracellular portion of c-fms (also known as colony-stimulating factor-1 receptor) are prepared in a manner similar to that described under Example 6 (Plasmid for expressing APTag-flk-2 and APTag-flk-1 fusion proteins). Briefly, a Hind III - Bam HI fragment containing the extracellular portion of flk1 or flk2 is prepared and inserted into the Hind III - Bgl II site of a pLH expression vector containing the intracellular portion of c-fms.

8B. Expression of flk1/fms or flk2/fms in 3T3 cells

The plasmids from Example 11 are transfected into NIH/3T3 cells by calcium. The intracellular portion of c-fms is detected by Western blotting.

Example 9. Cloning and Expression of cDNA Coding For Mouse Ligand To flk-1 and flk-2 Receptors

cDNA expressing mouse ligand for flk-1 and flk-2 is

prepared by known methods. See, for example, Seed, B., and Aruffo, A. PNAS 84:3365-3369, 1987; Simmons, D. and Seed, B. J. Immunol. 141:2797-2800; and D'Andrea, A.D., Lodish, H.F. and Wong, G.G. Cell 57:277-285, 1989).

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The protocols are listed below in sequence: (a) RNA isolation; (b) poly A RNA preparation; (c) cDNA synthesis; (d) cDNA size fractionation; (e) propagation of plasmids (vector); (f) isolation of plasmid DNA; (g) preparation of vector pSV Sport (BRL Gibco) for cloning; (h) compilation of buffers for the above steps; (i) Transfection of cDNA encoding Ligands in Cos 7 Cells; (j) panning procedure; (k) Expression cloning of flk-1 or flk-2 ligand by establishment of an autocrine loop.

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9a. Guanidinium thiocyanate/LiCl Protocol for RNA Isolation

For each ml of mix desired, 0.5 g guanidine thiocyanate (GuSCN) is dissolved in 0.55 ml of 25% LiCl (stock filtered through 0.45 micron filter). 20 μ l of mercaptoethanol is added. (The resulting solution is not good for more than about a week at room temperature.)

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The 2018 stromal cells are centrifuged, and 1 ml of the solution described above is added to up to 5×10^7 cells. The cells are sheared by means of a polytron until the mixture is non-viscous. For small scale preparations ($<10^8$ cells), the sheared mixture is layered on 1.5 ml of 5.7M CsCl (RNase free; 1.26 g CsCl added to every ml 10 mM EDTA pH8), and overlaid with RNase-free water if needed. The mixture is spun in an SW55 rotor at 50 krpm for 2 hours. For large scale preparations, 25 ml of the mixture is layered on 12 ml CsCl in an SW28 tube, overlaid as above, and spun at 24 krpm for 8 hours. The contents of the tube are aspirated carefully with a sterile pasteur pipet connected to a vacuum flask. Once past the CsCl interface, a band around the tube is scratched with the pipet tip to prevent creeping of the layer on the wall down the tube. The remaining CsCl solution is aspirated. The resulting pellet is taken up in

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water, but not redissolved. 1/10 volume of sodium acetate and three volumes of ethanol are added to the mixture, and spun. The pellet is resuspended in water at 70°C, if necessary. The concentration of the RNA is adjusted to 1 mg/ml and frozen.

It should be noted that small RNA molecules (e.g., 5S) do not come down. For small amounts of cells, the volumes are scaled down, and the mixture is overlaid with GuSCN in RNase-free water on a gradient (precipitation is inefficient when RNA is dilute).

9b. Poly A⁺ RNA preparation

(All buffers mentioned are compiled separately below)

A disposable polypropylene column is prepared by washing with 5M NaOH and then rinsing with RNase-free water. For each milligram of total RNA, approximately 0.3 ml (final packed bed) of oligo dT cellulose is added. The oligo dT cellulose is prepared by resuspending approximately 0.5 ml of dry powder in 1 ml of 0.1M NaOH and transferring it into the column, or by percolating 0.1M NaOH through a previously used column. The column is washed with several column volumes of RNase-free water until the pH is neutral, and rinsed with 2-3 ml of loading buffer. The column bed is transferred to a sterile 15 ml tube using 4-6 ml of loading buffer.

Total RNA from the 2018 cell line is heated to 70°C for 2-3 minutes. LiCl from RNase-free stock is added to the mixture to a final concentration of 0.5M. The mixture is combined with oligo dT cellulose in the 15 ml tube, which is vortexed or agitated for 10 minutes. The mixture is poured into the column, and washed with 3 ml loading buffer, and then with 3 ml of middle wash buffer. The mRNA is eluted directly into an SW55 tube with 1.5 ml of 2 mM EDTA and 0.1% SDS, discarding the first two or three drops.

The eluted mRNA is precipitated by adding 1/10 volume of

3M sodium acetate and filling the tube with ethanol. The contents of the tube are mixed, chilled for 30 minutes at -20°C, and spun at 50 krpm at 5°C for 30 minutes. After the ethanol is decanted, and the tube air dried, the mRNA pellet
5 is resuspended in 50-100 µl of RNase-free water. 5 µl of the resuspended mRNA is heated to 70°C in MOPS/EDTA/formaldehyde, and examined on an RNase-free 1% agarose gel.

10 9c. cDNA Synthesis

The protocol used is a variation of the method described by Gubler and Hoffman in Gene 25, 263-270 (1983).

15 1. First Strand. 4 µg of mRNA is added to a microfuge tube, heated to approximately 100°C for 30 seconds, quenched on ice. The volume is adjusted to 70µl with RNase-free water. 20 µl of RT1 buffer, 2 µl of RNase inhibitor (Boehringer 36 u/µl), 1 µl of 5 µg/µl of oligo dT
20 (Collaborative Research), 2.5 µl of 20 mM dXTP's (ultrapure - US Biochemicals), 1 µl of 1M DTT and 4 µl of RT-XL (Life Sciences, 24 u/µl) are added. The mixture is incubated at 42°C for 40 minutes, and inactivated by heating at 70°C for 10 minutes.

25 2. Second Strand. 320 µl of RNase-free water, 80 µl of RT2 buffer, 5 µl of DNA Polymerase I (Boehringer, 5 U/µl), 2 µl RNase H (BRL 2 u/µl) are added to the solution containing the first strand. The solution is incubated at
30 15°C for one hour and at 22°C for an additional hour. After adding 20 µl of 0.5M EDTA, pH 8.0, the solution is extracted with phenol and precipitated by adding NaCl to 0.5M linear polyacrylamide (carrier) to 20 µg/ml, and filling the tube with EtOH. The tube is spun for 2-3 minutes in a microfuge,
35 vortexed to dislodge precipitated material from the wall of the tube, and respun for one minute.

3. Adaptors. Adaptors provide specific restriction sites to facilitate cloning, and are available from BRL

Gibco, New England Biolabs, etc. Crude adaptors are resuspended at a concentration of 1 $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{l}$. MgSO_4 is added to a final concentration of 10 mM, followed by five volumes of EtOH. The resulting precipitate is rinsed with 70% EtOH and resuspended in TE at a concentration of 1 $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{l}$. To kinase, 25 μl of resuspended adaptors is added to 3 μl of 10X kinasing buffer and 20 units of kinase. The mixture is incubated at 37°C overnight. The precipitated cDNA is resuspended in 240 μl of TE (10/1). After adding 30 μl of 10X low salt buffer, 30 μl of 10X ligation buffer with 0.1mM ATP, 3 μl (2.4 μg) of kinased 12-mer adaptor sequence, 2 μl (1.6 μg) of kinased 8-mer adaptor sequence, and 1 μl of T4 DNA ligase (BioLabs, 400 u/ μl , or Boehringer, 1 Weiss unit ml), the mixture is incubated at 15°C overnight. The cDNA is extracted with phenol and precipitated as above, except that the extra carrier is omitted, and resuspended in 100 μl of TE.

9d. cDNA Size Fractionation.

A 20% KOAc, 2 mM EDTA, 1 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ ethidium bromide solution and a 5% KOAc, 2 mM EDTA, 1 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ ethidium bromide solution are prepared. 2.6 ml of the 20% KOAc solution is added to the back chamber of a small gradient maker. Air bubbles are removed from the tube connecting the two chambers by allowing the 20% solution to flow into the front chamber and forcing the solution to return to the back chamber by tilting the gradient maker. The passage between the chambers is closed, and 2.5 ml of 5% solution is added to the front chamber. Any liquid in the tubing from a previous run is removed by allowing the 5% solution to flow to the end of the tubing, and then to return to its chamber. The apparatus is placed on a stirplate, and, with rapid stirring, the topcock connecting the two chambers and the front stopcock are opened. A polyallomer 5W55 tube is filled from the bottom with the KOAc solution. The gradient is overlaid with 100 μl of cDNA solution, and spun for three hours at 50k rpm at 22°C. To collect fractions from the gradient, the SW55 tube is pierced close to the bottom of the tube with a butterfly

infusion set (with the luer hub clipped off). Three 0.5 ml fractions and then six 0.25 ml fractions are collected in microfuge tubes (approximately 22 and 11 drops, respectively). The fractions are precipitated by adding linear polyacrylamide to 20 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ and filling the tube to the top with ethanol. The tubes are cooled, spun in a microfuge tube for three minutes, vortexed, and respun for one minute. The resulting pellets are rinsed with 70% ethanol and respun, taking care not to permit the pellets to dry to completion. Each 0.25 ml fraction is resuspended in 10 μl of TE, and 1 μl is run on a 1% agarose minigel. The first three fractions, and the last six which contain no material smaller than 1 kb are pooled.

15 9e. Propagation of Plasmids

SupF plasmids are selected in nonsuppressing bacterial hosts containing a second plasmid, p3, which contains amber mutated ampicillin and tetracycline drug resistance elements. See Seed, Nucleic Acids Res., 11, 2427-2445 (1983). The p3 plasmid is derived from RP1, is 57 kb in length, and is a stably maintained, single copy episome. The ampicillin resistance of this plasmid reverts at a high rate so that amp^r plasmids usually cannot be used in p3-containing strains. Selection for tetracycline resistance alone is almost as good as selection for ampicillin-tetracycline resistance. However, spontaneous appearance of chromosomal suppressor tRNA mutations presents an unavoidable background (frequency about 10^{-9}) in this system. Colonies arising from spontaneous suppressor mutations are usually larger than colonies arising from plasmid transformation. Suppressor plasmids are selected in Luria broth (LB) medium containing ampicillin at 12.5 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ and tetracycline at 7.5 $\mu\text{g/ml}$. For scaled-up plasmid preparations, M9 Casamino acids medium containing glycerol (0.8%) is employed as a carbon source. The bacteria are grown to saturation.

Alternatively, pSV Sport (BRL, Gaithersburg, Maryland) may be employed to provide SV40 derived sequences for

replication, transcription initiation and termination in COS 7 cells, as well as those sequences necessary for replication and ampicillin resistance in E. coli.

5 9f. Isolation of Vector DNA/Plasmid

One liter of saturated bacterial cells are spun down in J6 bottles at 4.2k rpm for 25 minutes. The cells are resuspended in 40 ml 10 mM EDTA, pH 8. 80 ml 0.2M NaOH and 1% SDS are added, and the mixture is swirled until it is clear and viscous. 40 ml 5M KOAc, pH 4.7 (2.5M KOAc, 2.5M HOAc) is added, and the mixture is shaken semi-vigorously until the lumps are approximately 2-3 mm in size. The bottle is spun at 4.2k rpm for 5 minutes. The supernatant is poured through cheesecloth into a 250 ml bottle, which is then filled with isopropyl alcohol and centrifuged at 4.2k rpm for 5 minutes. The bottle is gently drained and rinsed with 70% ethanol, taking care not to fragment the pellet. After inverting the bottle and removing traces of ethanol, the mixture is resuspended in 3.5 ml Tris base/EDTA (20 mM/10 mM). 3.75 ml of resuspended pellet and 0.75 ml 10 mg/ml ethidium bromide are added to 4.5 g CsCl. VTi80 tubes are filled with solution, and centrifuged for at least 2.5 hours at 80k rpm. Bands are extracted by visible light with 1 ml syringe and 20 gauge or lower needle. The top of the tube is cut off with scissors, and the needle is inserted upwards into the tube at an angle of about 30 degrees with respect to the tube at a position about 3 mm beneath the band, with the bevel of the needle up. After the band is removed, the contents of the tube are poured into bleach. The extracted band is deposited in a 13 ml Sarstedt tube, which is then filled to the top with n-butanol saturated with 1M NaCl extract. If the amount of DNA is large, the extraction procedure may be repeated. After aspirating the butanol into a trap containing 5M NaOH to destroy ethidium, an approximately equal volume of 1M ammonium acetate and approximately two volumes of 95% ethanol are added to the DNA, which is then spun at 10k rpm for 5 minutes. The pellet is rinsed carefully with 70% ethanol, and dried with a swab

or lyophilizer.

9g. Preparation of Vector for Cloning

5 20 µg of vector is cut in a 200 µl reaction with 100
units of BstXI (New York Biolabs) at 50°C overnight in a well
thermostated, circulating water bath. Potassium acetate
solutions (5 and 20%) are prepared in 5W55 tubes as described
above. 100 µl of the digested vector is added to each tube
10 and spun for three hours, 50k rpm at 22°C. Under 300 nm UV
light, the desired band is observed to migrate 2/3 of the
length of the tube. Forward trailing of the band indicates
that the gradient is overloaded. The band is removed with a
1 ml syringe fitted with a 20 gauge needle. After adding
15 linear polyacrylamide and precipitating the plasmid by adding
three volumes of ethanol, the plasmid is resuspended in 50 µl
of TE. Trial ligations are carried out with a constant
amount of vector and increasing amounts of cDNA. Large scale
ligation are carried out on the basis of these trial
20 ligations. Usually the entire cDNA prep requires 1-2 µg of
cut vector.

9h. Buffers

25 Loading Buffer: .5M LiCl, 10 mM Tris pH 7.5, 1 mM
EDTA .1% SDS.
Middle Wash Buffer: .15M LiCl, 10 mM Tris pH 7.5, 1 mM
EDTA .1% SDS.
RT1 Buffer: .25M Tris pH 8.8 (8.2 at 42°), .25M
30 KCl, 30 mM MgCl₂.
RT2 Buffer: .1M Tris pH 7.5, 25 mM MgCl₂, .5M
KCl, .25 mg/ml BSA, 50 mM
dithiothreitol (DTT).
10X Low Salt: 60 mM Tris pH 7.5, 60 mM MgCl₂, 50 mM
35 NaCl, 2.5 mg/ml BSA 70 mM DME
10X Ligation Additions: 1 mM ATP, 20 mM DTT, 1 mg/ml BSA 10
mM spermidine.
10X Kinasing Buffer: .5M Tris pH 7.5, 10 mM ATP, 20 mM
DTT, 10 mM spermidine, 1 mg/ml BSA

100 mM MgCl₂9i. Transfection of cDNA encoding Ligands in Cos 7 Cells

5 Cos 7 cells are split 1:5 into 100 mm plates in
Dulbecco's modified Eagles medium (DME)/10% fetal calf serum
(FCS), and allowed to grow overnight. 3 ml Tris/DME (0.039M
Tris, pH 7.4 in DME) containing 400 µg/ml DEAE-dextran
(Sigma, D-9885) is prepared for each 100 mm plate of Cos 7
10 cells to be transfected. 10 µg of plasmid DNA preparation
per plate is added. The medium is removed from the Cos-7
cells and the DNA/DEAE-dextran mixture is added. The cells
are incubated for 4.5 hours. The medium is removed from the
cells, and replaced with 3 ml of DME containing 2% fetal calf
15 serum (FCS) and 0.1 mM chloroquine. The cells are incubated
for one hour. After removing the chloroquine and replacing
with 1.5 ml 20% glycerol in PBS, the cells are allowed to
stand at room temperature for one minute. 3 ml Tris/DME is
added, and the mixture is aspirated and washed two times with
20 Tris/DME. 10 ml DME/10% FCS is added and the mixture is
incubated overnight. The transfected Cos 7 cells are split
1:2 into fresh 100 mm plates with (DME)/10% FCS and allowed
to grow.

25 9j. Panning Procedure for Cos 7 cells Expressing Ligand1) Antibody-coated plates:

Bacteriological 100 mm plates are coated for 1.5 hours
30 with rabbit anti-human placental alkaline phosphatase (Dako,
California) diluted 1:500 in 10 ml of 50 mM Tris.HCl, pH 9.5.
The plates are washed three times with 0.15M NaCl, and
incubated with 3 mg BSA/ml PBS overnight. The blocking
solution is aspirated, and the plates are utilized
35 immediately or frozen for later use.

2) Panning cells:

The medium from transfected Cos 7 cells is aspirated,

and 3 ml PBS/0.5 mM EDTA/0.02% sodium azide is added. The plates are incubated at 37°C for thirty minutes in order to detach the cells. The cells are triturated vigorously with a pasteur pipet and collected in a 15 ml centrifuge tube. The plate is washed with a further 2 ml PBS/EDTA/azide solution, which is then added to the centrifuge tube. After centrifuging at 200 xg for five minutes, the cells are resuspended in 3 ml of APTag-flk-1 (F-1AP21-4) or flk-2 (F-2AP26-0) supernatant from transfected NIH/3T3 cells (see Example 7.), and incubated for 1.5 hours on ice. The cells are centrifuged again at 200 xg for five minutes. The supernatant is aspirated, and the cells are resuspended in 3 ml PBS/EDTA/azide solution. The cell suspension is layered carefully on 3 ml PBS/EDTA/azide/2% Ficoll, and centrifuged at 200 xg for four minutes. The supernatant is aspirated, and the cells are resuspended in 0.5 ml PBS/EDTA/azide solution. The cells are added to the antibody-coated plates containing 4 ml PBS/EDTA/azide/5% FBS, and allowed to stand at room temperature one to three hours. Non-adhering cells are removed by washing gently two or three times with 3 ml PBS/5% FBS.

3) Hirt Supernatant:

0.4 ml 0.6% SDS and 10 mM EDTA are added to the panned plates, which are allowed to stand 20 minutes. The viscous mixture is added by means of a pipet into a microfuge tube. 0.1 ml 5M NaCl is added to the tube, mixed, and chilled on ice for at least five hours. The tube is spun for four minutes, and the supernatant is removed carefully. The contents of the tube are extracted with phenol once, or, if the first interface is not clean, twice. Ten micrograms of linear polyacrylamide (or other carrier) is added, and the tube is filled to the top with ethanol. The resulting precipitate is resuspended in 0.1 ml water or TE. After adding 3 volumes of EtOH/NaOAc, the cells are reprecipitated and resuspended in 0.1 ml water or TE. The cDNA obtained is transfected into any suitable E. coli host by electroporation. Suitable hosts are described in various

catalogs, and include MC1061/p3 or Electromax DH10B Cells of BRL Gibco. The cDNA is extracted by conventional methods.

The above panning procedure is repeated until a pure *E. coli* clone bearing the cDNA as a unique plasmid recombinant capable of transfecting mammalian cells and yielding a positive panning assay is isolated. Normally, three repetitions are sufficient.

10 9k. Expression cloning of flk1 or flk2 ligand by establishment of an autocrine loop

Cells expressing flk1/fms or flk2/fms (Example 10) are transfected with 20-30 μ g of a cDNA library from either flk1 ligand or flk2 ligand expressing stromal cells, respectively. The cDNA library is prepared as described above (a-h). The cells are co-transfected with 1 μ g pLTR neo cDNA. Following transfection the cells are passaged 1:2 and cultured in 800 μ g/ml of G418 in Dulbecco's medium (DME) supplemented with 10% CS. Approximately 12 days later the colonies of cells are passaged and plated onto dishes coated with poly-D-lysine (1 mg/ml) and human fibronectin (15 μ g/ml). The culture medium is defined serum-free medium which is a mixture (3:1) of DME and Ham's F12 medium. The medium supplements are 8 mM NaHCO₃, 15 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 3 mM histidine, 4 μ M MnCl₂, 10 μ M ethanolamine, 0.1 μ M selenous acid, 2 μ M hydrocortisone, 5 μ g/ml transferrin, 500 μ g/ml bovine serum albumin/linoleic acid complex, and 20 μ g/ml insulin (Ref. Zhan, X, et al. Oncogene 1: 369-376, 1987). The cultures are refed the next day and every 3 days until the only cells capable of growing under the defined medium condition remain. The remaining colonies of cells are expanded and tested for the presence of the ligand by assaying for binding of APTag - flk1 or APTag - flk2 to the cells (as described in Example 8). The DNA would be rescued from cells demonstrating the presence of the flk1 or flk2 ligand and the sequence.

Example 10. Expression of Ligand cDNA

The cDNA is sequenced, and expressed in a suitable host cell, such as a mammalian cell, preferably COS, CHO or NIH/3T3 cells. The presence of the ligand is confirmed by demonstrating binding of the ligand to APTag-flk2 fusion protein (see above).

Example 11. Chemical Cross Linking of Receptor and Ligand

Cross linking experiments are performed on intact cells using a modification of the procedure described by Blume-Jensen et al et al., EMBO J., 10, 4121-4128 (1991). Cells are cultured in 100mm tissue culture plates to subconfluence and washed once with PBS-0.1% BSA.

To examine chemical cross linking of soluble receptor to membrane-bound ligand, stromal cells from the 2018 stromal cell line are incubated with conditioned media (CM) from transfected 3T3 cells expressing the soluble receptor Flk2-APtag. Cross linking studies of soluble ligand to membrane bound receptor are performed by incubating conditioned media from 2018 cells with transfected 3T3 cells expressing a Flk2-fms fusion construct.

Binding is carried out for 2 hours either at room temperature with CM containing 0.02% sodium azide to prevent receptor internalization or at 4°C with CM (and buffers) supplemented with sodium vanadate to prevent receptor dephosphorylation. Cells are washed twice with PBS-0.1% BSA and four times with PBS.

Cross linking is performed in PBS containing 250 mM disuccinimidyl suberate (DSS; Pierce) for 30 minutes at room temperature. The reaction is quenched with Tris-HCL pH7.4 to a final concentration of 50 mM.

Cells are solubilized in solubilization buffer: 0.5% Triton - X100, 0.5% deoxycholic acid, 20 mM Tris pH 7.4, 150

mM NaCl, 10mM EDTA, 1mM PMFS, 50 mg/ml aprotinin, 2 mg/ml bestatin, 2 mg/ml pepstatin and 10mg/ml leupeptin. Lysed cells are immediately transferred to 1.5 ml Nalgene tubes and solubilized by rolling end to end for 45 minutes at 4°C.

5 Lysates are then centrifuged in a microfuge at 14,000g for 10 minutes. Solubilized cross linked receptor complexes are then retrieved from lysates by incubating supernatants with 10% (v/v) wheat germ lectin-Sepharose 6MB beads (Pharmacia) at 4°C for 2 hours or overnight.

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Beads are washed once with Tris-buffered saline (TBS) and resuspended in 2X SDS-polyacrylamide nonreducing sample buffer. Bound complexes are eluted from the beads by heating at 95°C for 5 minutes. Samples are analyzed on 4-12%
15 gradient gels (NOVEX) under nonreducing and reducing conditions (0.35 M 2-mercaptoethanol) and then transferred to PVDF membranes for 2 hours using a Novex blotting apparatus. Blots are blocked in TBS-3% BSA for 1 hour at room temperature followed by incubation with appropriate antibody.

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Cross linked Flk2-APtag and Flk2-fms receptors are detected using rabbit polyclonal antibodies raised against human alkaline phosphatase and fms protein, respectively.
25 The remainder of the procedure is carried out according to the instructions provided in the ABC Kit (Pierce). The kit is based on the use of a biotinylated secondary antibody and avidin-biotinylated horseradish peroxidase complex for detection.

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SUPPLEMENTAL ENABLEMENT

The invention as claimed is enabled in accordance with the above specification and readily available references and
35 starting materials. Nevertheless, Applicants have deposited with the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Md., USA (ATCC) the cell lines listed below:

2018, ATCC accession no. CRL 10907, deposited

October 30, 1991.

Fsp 62891, ATCC accession no. CRL 10935, deposited
November 21, 1991.

F.thy 62891, ATCC accession no. CRL 10936, deposited
November 21, 1991.

FL 62891, ATCC accession no. CRL 11005, deposited
April 2, 1992.

These deposits were made under the provisions of the
Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the
Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent
Procedure and the regulations thereunder (Budapest Treaty).
This assures maintenance of a viable culture for 30 years
from date of deposit. The organisms will be made available
by ATCC under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and subject
to an agreement between Applicants and ATCC which assures
unrestricted availability upon issuance of the pertinent U.S.
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 Phe Gly Leu Ala Arg Asp Ile Leu Ser Asp Ser Ser Tyr Val Val Arg
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 Gly Asn Ala Arg Leu Pro Val Lys Trp Met Ala Pro Glu Ser Leu Phe
 850 855 860
 Glu Gly Ile Tyr Thr Ile Lys Ser Asp Val Trp Ser Tyr Gly Ile Leu
 865 870 875 880

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Leu	Trp	Glu	Ile	Phe	Ser	Leu	Gly	Val	Asn	Pro	Tyr	Pro	Gly	Ile	Pro
				885					890					895	
Val	Asp	Ala	Asn	Phe	Tyr	Lys	Leu	Ile	Gln	Ser	Gly	Phe	Lys	Met	Glu
			900					905					910		
Gln	Pro	Phe	Tyr	Ala	Thr	Glu	Gly	Ile	Tyr	Phe	Val	Met	Gln	Ser	Cys
		915					920					925			
Trp	Ala	Phe	Asp	Ser	Arg	Lys	Arg	Pro	Ser	Phe	Pro	Asn	Leu	Thr	Ser
	930					935					940				
Phe	Leu	Gly	Cys	Gln	Leu	Ala	Glu	Ala	Glu	Glu	Ala	Cys	Ile	Arg	Thr
945					950					955					960
Ser	Ile	His	Leu	Pro	Lys	Gln	Ala	Ala	Pro	Gln	Gln	Arg	Gly	Gly	Leu
				965					970					975	
Arg	Ala	Gln	Ser	Pro	Gln	Arg	Gln	Val	Lys	Ile	His	Arg	Glu	Arg	Ser
			980					985					990		

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 332 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ix) **FEATURE:**

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 1..332

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1				5					10					15	
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Glu	Ser	Pro	Glu	Asp	Leu	Gly	Cys	Ala	Leu	Arg	Pro	Gln	Ser	Ser	Gly
			20					25					30		
ACA	GTG	TAC	GAA	GCT	GCC	GCT	GTG	GAA	GTG	GAT	GTA	TCT	GCT	TCC	ATC
Thr	Val	Tyr	Glu	Ala	Ala	Ala	Val	Glu	Val	Asp	Val	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ile
		35					40					45			
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Thr	Leu	Gln	Val	Leu	Val	Asp	Ala	Pro	Gly	Asn	Ile	Ser	Cys	Leu	Trp
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GTC TTT AAG CAC AGC TCC CTG AAT TGC CAG CCA CAT TTT GAT TTA CAA
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GCT GGA GAA TAC CTA CTT TTT ATT CAG AGT GAA GCT ACC AAT TA
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 110 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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 Glu Ser Pro Glu Asp Leu Gly Cys Ala Leu Arg Pro Gln Ser Ser Gly
 20 25 30
 Thr Val Tyr Glu Ala Ala Ala Val Glu Val Asp Val Ser Ala Ser Ile
 35 40 45
 Thr Leu Gln Val Leu Val Asp Ala Pro Gly Asn Ile Ser Cys Leu Trp
 50 55 60
 Val Phe Lys His Ser Ser Leu Asn Cys Gln Pro His Phe Asp Leu Gln
 65 70 75 80
 Asn Arg Gly Val Val Ser Met Val Ile Leu Lys Met Thr Glu Thr Gln
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 Ala Gly Glu Tyr Leu Leu Phe Ile Gln Ser Glu Ala Thr Asn
 100 105 110

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 284 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS

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(B) LOCATION: 1..282

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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  1             5             10             15

GAA TAT GAA AAC CAA AAA AAG AGG CTG GAA GAA GAG GAG GAC TTG AAT
Glu Tyr Glu Asn Gln Lys Lys Arg Leu Glu Glu Glu Glu Asp Leu Asn
                20             25             30

GTG CTT ACA TTT GAA GAT CTT CTT TGC TTT GCA TAT CAA GTT GCC AAA
Val Leu Thr Phe Glu Asp Leu Leu Cys Phe Ala Tyr Gln Val Ala Lys
                35             40             45

GGA ATG GAA TTT AAG TCG TGT GTT CAC AGA GAC CTG GCC GCC AGG AAC
Gly Met Glu Phe Lys Ser Cys Val His Arg Asp Leu Ala Ala Arg Asn
  50             55             60

GTG CTT GTC ACC CAC GGG AAA GTG GTG AAG ATA TGT GAC TTT GGA TTG
Val Leu Val Thr His Gly Lys Val Val Lys Ile Cys Asp Phe Gly Leu
  65             70             75             80

GCT CGA GAT ATC ATG AGT GAT TCC GGC TAT GTT GTC AGG CAA
Ala Arg Asp Ile Met Ser Asp Ser Gly Tyr Val Val Arg Gln
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 94 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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Asp Gln Ile Ser Gly Phe Met Glu Phe Ile His Ser Glu Asp Glu Ile
  1             5             10             15

Glu Tyr Glu Asn Gln Lys Lys Arg Leu Glu Glu Glu Glu Asp Leu Asn
                20             25             30

Val Leu Thr Phe Glu Asp Leu Leu Cys Phe Ala Tyr Gln Val Ala Lys
                35             40             45

Gly Met Glu Phe Lys Ser Cys Val His Arg Asp Leu Ala Ala Arg Asn
  50             55             60

Val Leu Val Thr His Gly Lys Val Val Lys Ile Cys Asp Phe Gly Leu
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Ala Arg Asp Ile Met Ser Asp Ser Gly Tyr Val Val Arg Gln
 85 90

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 5406 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 208..4311

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
- (B) LOCATION: 208..4308

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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GCTCTGTGCC CAGGCGCGAG GTGCAGG ATG GAG AGC AAG GGC CTG CTA GCT
 Met Glu Ser Lys Gly Leu Leu Ala
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GTC GCT CTG TGG TTC TGC GTG GAG ACC CGA GCC GCC TCT GTG GGT TTG
 Val Ala Leu Trp Phe Cys Val Glu Thr Arg Ala Ala Ser Val Gly Leu
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CCT GGC GAT TTT CTC CAT CCC CCC AAG CTC AGC ACA CAG AAA GAC ATA
 Pro Gly Asp Phe Leu His Pro Pro Lys Leu Ser Thr Gln Lys Asp Ile
 25 30 35 40

CTG ACA ATT TTG GCA AAT ACA ACC CTT CAG ATT ACT TGC AGG GGA CAG
 Leu Thr Ile Leu Ala Asn Thr Thr Leu Gln Ile Thr Cys Arg Gly Gln
 45 50 55

CGG GAC CTG GAC TGG CTT TGG CCC AAT GCT CAG CGT GAT TCT GAG GAA
 Arg Asp Leu Asp Trp Leu Trp Pro Asn Ala Gln Arg Asp Ser Glu Glu
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AGG GTA TTG GTG ACT GAA TGC GGC GGT GGT GAC AGT ATC TTC TGC AAA
 Arg Val Leu Val Thr Glu Cys Gly Gly Gly Asp Ser Ile Phe Cys Lys
 75 80 85

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ACA	CTC	ACC	ATT	CCC	AGG	GTG	GTT	GGA	AAT	GAT	ACT	GGA	GCC	TAC	AAG
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	90						95				100				
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Cys	Ser	Tyr	Arg	Asp	Val	Asp	Ile	Ala	Ser	Thr	Val	Tyr	Val	Tyr	Val
105					110					115					120
CGA	GAT	TAC	AGA	TCA	CCA	TTC	ATC	GCC	TCT	GTC	AGT	GAC	CAG	CAT	GGC
Arg	Asp	Tyr	Arg	Ser	Pro	Phe	Ile	Ala	Ser	Val	Ser	Asp	Gln	His	Gly
				125					130					135	
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Ile	Val	Tyr	Ile	Thr	Glu	Asn	Lys	Asn	Lys	Thr	Val	Val	Ile	Pro	Cys
			140					145					150		
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TTC	TGT	GAG	GCA	AAG	ATC	AAT	GAT	GAA	ACC	TAT	CAG	TCT	ATC	ATG	TAC
Phe	Cys	Glu	Ala	Lys	Ile	Asn	Asp	Glu	Thr	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ile	Met	Tyr
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Ile	Val	Val	Val	Val	Gly	Tyr	Arg	Ile	Tyr	Asp	Val	Ile	Leu	Ser	Pro
			220					225					230		
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Pro	His	Glu	Ile	Glu	Leu	Ser	Ala	Gly	Glu	Lys	Leu	Val	Leu	Asn	Cys
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Pro	Pro	Ser	Lys	Ser	His	His	Lys	Lys	Ile	Val	Asn	Arg	Asp	Val	Lys
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CCC	TTT	CCT	GGG	ACT	GTG	GCG	AAG	ATG	TTT	TTG	AGC	ACC	TTG	ACA	ATA
Pro	Phe	Pro	Gly	Thr	Val	Ala	Lys	Met	Phe	Leu	Ser	Thr	Leu	Thr	Ile
				285					290					295	
GAA	AGT	GTG	ACC	AAG	AGT	GAC	CAA	GGG	GAA	TAC	ACC	TGT	GTA	GCG	TCC
Glu	Ser	Val	Thr	Lys	Ser	Asp	Gln	Gly	Glu	Tyr	Thr	Cys	Val	Ala	Ser
			300					305					310		

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AGT GGA CGG ATG ATC AAG AGA AAT AGA ACA TTT GTC CGA GTT CAC ACA
Ser Gly Arg Met Ile Lys Arg Asn Arg Thr Phe Val Arg Val His Thr
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AAG	CCT	TTT	ATT	GCT	TTC	GGT	AGT	GGG	ATG	AAA	TCT	TTG	GTG	GAA	GCC
Lys	Pro	Phe	Ile	Ala	Phe	Gly	Ser	Gly	Met	Lys	Ser	Leu	Val	Glu	Ala
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Glu Lys Gln Ser His Met Val Ser Leu Val Val Asn Val Pro Pro Gln
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425 430 435 440

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				445					450					455	

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Phe Gln Gly Gly Asn Lys Ile Glu Val Thr Lys Asn Gln Tyr Ala Leu
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505 510 515 520

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525 530 535

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Cys	Lys	Asn	Leu	Asp	Ala	Leu	Trp	Lys	Leu	Asn	Gly	Thr	Met	Phe	Ser
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GAT	GGA	GGC	CTC	TAC	ACC	TGC	CAG	GCC	TGC	AAT	GTC	CTT	GGC	TGT	GCA
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745 750 755 760

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				765					770					775	

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780 785 790

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Gly Glu Leu Lys Thr Gly Tyr Leu Ser Ile Val Met Asp Pro Asp Glu
795 800 805

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Leu Pro Leu Asp Glu Arg Cys Glu Arg Leu Pro Tyr Asp Ala Ser Lys
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Trp Glu Phe Pro Arg Asp Arg Leu Lys Leu Gly Lys Pro Leu Gly Arg
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 Pro Leu Glu Glu Pro Glu Val Lys Val Ile Pro Asp Asp Ser Gln Thr
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 Arg Asn Lys Leu Ser Pro Ser Phe Gly Gly Met Met Pro Ser Lys Ser
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 Arg Glu Ser Val Ala Ser Glu Gly Ser Asn Gln Thr Ser Gly Tyr Gln
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TCT GGG TAT CAC TCA GAT GAC ACA GAC ACC ACC GTG TAC TCC AGC GAC
 Ser Gly Tyr His Ser Asp Asp Thr Asp Thr Thr Val Tyr Ser Ser Asp
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GAG GCA GGA CTT TTA AAG ATG GTG GAT GCT GCA GTT CAC GCT GAC TCA
 Glu Ala Gly Leu Leu Lys Met Val Asp Ala Ala Val His Ala Asp Ser
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GGG ACC ACA CTG CAG CTC ACC TCC TGT TTA AAT GGA AGT GGT CCT GTC
 Gly Thr Thr Leu Gln Leu Thr Ser Cys Leu Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro Val
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CCG GCT CCG CCC CCA ACT CCT GGA AAT CAC GAG AGA GGT GCT GCT
 Pro Ala Pro Pro Pro Thr Pro Gly Asn His Glu Arg Gly Ala Ala
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 AGCCGTCCGG AAAAAAA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1367 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

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			20					25					30		
Lys	Leu	Ser	Thr	Gln	Lys	Asp	Ile	Leu	Thr	Ile	Leu	Ala	Asn	Thr	Thr
		35					40					45			
Leu	Gln	Ile	Thr	Cys	Arg	Gly	Gln	Arg	Asp	Leu	Asp	Trp	Leu	Trp	Pro
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Asn	Ala	Gln	Arg	Asp	Ser	Glu	Glu	Arg	Val	Leu	Val	Thr	Glu	Cys	Gly
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			115				120						125		

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Asn	Gly	Arg	Pro	Ile	Glu	Ser	Asn	Tyr	Thr	Met	Ile	Val	Gly	Asp	Glu	370	375	380
Leu	Thr	Ile	Met	Glu	Val	Thr	Glu	Arg	Asp	Ala	Gly	Asn	Tyr	Thr	Val	385	390	395
Ile	Leu	Thr	Asn	Pro	Ile	Ser	Met	Glu	Lys	Gln	Ser	His	Met	Val	Ser	405	410	415
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 Arg Thr Val Lys Arg Ala Asn Glu Gly Glu Leu Lys Thr Gly Tyr Leu
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 885 890 895
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 Arg Asp Leu Ala Ala Arg Asn Ile Leu Leu Ser Glu Lys Asn Val Val
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Lys Ile Cys Asp Phe Gly Leu Ala Arg Asp Ile Tyr Lys Asp Pro Asp
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 Tyr Val Arg Lys Gly Asp Ala Arg Leu Pro Leu Lys Trp Met Ala Pro
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 Val Ile Pro Asp Asp Ser Gln Thr Asp Ser Gly Met Val Leu Ala Ser
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 1285 1290 1295
 Ser Asn Gln Thr Ser Gly Tyr Gln Ser Gly Tyr His Ser Asp Asp Thr
 1300 1305 1310
 Asp Thr Thr Val Tyr Ser Ser Asp Glu Ala Gly Leu Leu Lys Met Val
 1315 1320 1325
 Asp Ala Ala Val His Ala Asp Ser Gly Thr Thr Leu Gln Leu Thr Ser
 1330 1335 1340

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Cys Leu Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro Val Pro Ala Pro Pro Pro Thr Pro Gly
1345 1350 1355 1360

Asn His Glu Arg Gly Ala Ala
1365

CLAIMS

What I claim is:

1. An isolated mammalian nucleic acid molecule encoding a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.
2. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is DNA.
3. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 2 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is cDNA.
4. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is RNA.
5. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1 that is a mouse nucleic acid molecule.
6. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 5 that is flk-2 having the sequence shown in Figure 1a.
7. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1 that is a human nucleic acid molecule.
8. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 7 that is DNA.
9. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 7 that is flk-2 comprising the sequence shown in Figure 1b or 1c.
10. An isolated acid nucleic molecule that is flk-2 comprising the sequence shown in Figure 1a, 1b, or 1c.
11. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 10 comprising the sequence shown in Figure 1b, or 1c.

12. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 10 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is DNA.
13. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 10 that has the corresponding sequence of RNA.
14. An isolated nucleic molecule that is flk-1 having the sequence shown in Figure 2.
15. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 14 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is DNA.
16. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 14 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is cDNA.
17. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 14 that has the corresponding sequence of RNA.
18. A vector comprising a mammalian nucleic acid molecule encoding a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.
19. A vector comprising flk-1 having the nucleic acid sequence of Figure 2.
20. A vector comprising flk-2 having the nucleic acid sequence of Figure 1a, 1b, or 1c.
21. A vector according to claim 18 wherein the vector is capable of being cloned in a host.
22. A vector according to claim 19 wherein the vector is capable of being cloned in a host.
23. A vector according to claim 20 wherein the vector is capable of being cloned in a host.
24. A vector according to claim 21 wherein the host is a

prokaryotic host.

25. A vector according to claim 22 wherein the host is a prokaryotic host.
26. A vector according to claim 23 wherein the host is a prokaryotic host.
27. A vector according to claim 18 that is capable of expressing the nucleic acid molecule in a host.
28. A vector according to claim 19 that is capable of expressing flk-1 in a host.
29. A vector according to claim 20 that is capable of expressing flk-2 in a host.
30. A vector according to claim 27 wherein the host is a prokaryotic host.
31. A vector according to claim 28 wherein the host is a prokaryotic host.
32. A vector according to claim 29 wherein the host is a prokaryotic host.
33. A vector according to claim 27 wherein the host is a eucaryotic host.
34. A vector according to claim 28 wherein the host is a eucaryotic host.
35. A vector according to claim 29 wherein the host is a eucaryotic host.
36. An isolated protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.

37. The protein tyrosine kinase according to claim 36 that is flk-2 having the sequence shown in Figure 1a, 1b, or 1c.
38. The protein tyrosine kinase according to claim 36 that is human flk-2.
39. The protein tyrosine kinase according to claim 38 that is flk-2 having the sequence shown in Figure 1b or Figure 1c.
40. An isolated protein tyrosine kinase that is flk-1 having the sequence shown in Figure 2.
41. A ligand that binds to a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive mammalian hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells, wherein the ligand stimulates the proliferation and/or differentiation of the primitive hematopoietic cells.
42. A ligand that binds to the receptor protein tyrosine kinase having the amino acid sequence of flk-1 shown in Figure 2, wherein the ligand stimulates the proliferation and/or differentiation of cells that express flk-1.
43. A ligand that binds to the receptor protein tyrosine kinase having the amino acid sequence of flk-2 shown in Figure 1a, 1b, or 1c, wherein the ligand stimulates the proliferation and/or differentiation of cells that express flk-2.
44. A nucleic acid molecule encoding a ligand that binds to a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive mammalian hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells, wherein the ligand stimulates the proliferation and/or differentiation of the primitive hematopoietic cells.
45. A nucleic acid molecule encoding a ligand that binds to the receptor protein tyrosine kinase having the amino

acid sequence of flk-1 shown in Figure 2, wherein the ligand stimulates the proliferation and/or differentiation of cells that express flk-1.

46. A nucleic acid molecule encoding a ligand that binds to the receptor protein tyrosine kinase having the amino acid sequence of flk-2 shown in Figure 1a, 1b, or 1c wherein the ligand stimulates the proliferation and/or differentiation of cells that express flk-2.
47. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 44 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is DNA.
48. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 44 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is cDNA.
49. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 44 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is RNA.
50. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 45 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is DNA.
51. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 45 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is cDNA.
52. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 45 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is RNA.
53. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 46 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is DNA.
54. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 46 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is cDNA.
55. A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 46 wherein the nucleic acid molecule is RNA.
56. A method of stimulating the proliferation and/or differentiation of primitive mammalian hematopoietic stem

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cells comprising contacting the stem cells with a ligand that binds to a receptor protein tyrosine kinase expressed in primitive mammalian hematopoietic cells and not expressed in mature hematopoietic cells.

57. A method of stimulating the proliferation and/or differentiation of primitive mammalian hematopoietic stem cells comprising contacting the stem cells with a ligand that binds to the receptor protein tyrosine kinase having the nucleic acid sequence of flk-1 shown in Figure 2.
58. A method of stimulating the proliferation and/or differentiation of primitive mammalian hematopoietic stem cells comprising contacting the stem cells with a ligand that binds to the receptor protein tyrosine kinase having the nucleic acid sequence of flk-2 shown in Figure 1a, 1b, or 1c.
59. A method according to claim 56 wherein the stimulation occurs in vitro.
60. A method according to claim 57 wherein the stimulation occurs in vitro.
61. A method according to claim 58 wherein the stimulation occurs in vitro.
62. A method according to claim 56 wherein the stimulation occurs in vivo.
63. A method according to claim 57 wherein the stimulation occurs in vivo.
64. A method according to claim 58 wherein the stimulation occurs in vivo.
65. Murine cell line 2018 having ATCC accession number ATCC CRL 10907.

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FIG. 1a.1

GCGGCCTGGC TACCGCGCGC TCCGGAGGCC ATG CGG GCG TTG GCG CAG CGC AGC
 Met Arg Ala Leu Ala Gln Arg Ser
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GAC CGG CGG CTG CTG CTG CTT GTT GTT TTG TCA GTA ATG ATT CTT GAG
 Asp Arg Arg Leu Leu Leu Leu Val Val Leu Ser Val Met Ile Leu Glu
 10 15 20

ACC GTT ACA AAC CAA GAC CTG CCT GTG ATC AAG TGT GTT TTA ATC AGT
 Thr Val Thr Asn Gln Asp Leu Pro Val Ile Lys Cys Val Leu Ile Ser
 25 30 35 40

CAT GAG AAC AAT GGC TCA TCA GCG GGA AAG CCA TCA TCG TAC CGA ATG
 His Glu Asn Asn Gly Ser Ser Ala Gly Lys Pro Ser Ser Tyr Arg Met
 45 50 55

GTG CGA GGA TCC CCA GAA GAC CTC CAG TGT ACC CCG AGG CGC CAG AGT
 Val Arg Gly Ser Pro Glu Asp Leu Gln Cys Thr Pro Arg Arg Gln Ser
 60 65 70

GAA GGG ACG GTA TAT GAA GCG GCC ACC GTG GAG GTG GCC GAG TCT GGG
 Glu Gly Thr Val Tyr Glu Ala Ala Thr Val Glu Val Ala Glu Ser Gly
 75 80 85

TCC ATC ACC CTG CAA GTG CAG CTC GCC ACC CCA GGG GAC CTT TCC TGC
 Ser Ile Thr Leu Gln Val Gln Leu Ala Thr Pro Gly Asp Leu Ser Cys
 90 95 100

CTC TGG GTC TTT AAG CAC AGC TCC CTG GGC TGC CAG CCG CAC TTT GAT
 Leu Trp Val Phe Lys His Ser Ser Leu Gly Cys Gln Pro His Phe Asp
 105 110 115 120

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 125 130 135

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 155 160 165

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FIG. 1a.1

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TGT Cys	GCT Ala	AGA Arg	AAT Asn	GCA Ala	CTG Leu	GGC Gly	CGC Arg	GAA Glu	TGC Cys	ACC Thr	AAG Lys	CTG Leu	TTC Phe	ACC Thr	ATA Ile	
			235				240					245				
GAT Asp	CTA Leu	AAC Asn	CAG Gln	GCT Ala	CCT Pro	CAG Gln	AGC Ser	ACA Thr	CTG Leu	CCC Pro	CAG Gln	TTA Leu	TTC Phe	CTG Leu	AAA Lys	
			250			255					260					
GTG Val	GGG Gly	GAA Glu	CCC Pro	TTG Leu	TGG Trp	ATC Ile	AGG Arg	TGT Cys	AAG Lys	GCC Ala	ATC Ile	CAT His	GTG Val	AAC Asn	CAT His	
					270					275					280	
GGA Gly	TTC Phe	GGG Gly	CTC Leu	ACC Thr	TGG Trp	GAG Glu	CTG Leu	GAA Glu	GAC Asp	AAA Lys	GCC Ala	CTG Leu	GAG Glu	GAG Glu	GGC Gly	
				285					290					295		
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			300					305					310			
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			315				320					325				
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			330			335					340					
ATC Ile	CTA Leu	GAA Glu	AAA Lys	GGG Gly	TTT Phe	ATA Ile	AAC Asn	GCT Ala	ACC Thr	AGC Ser	TCG Ser	CAA Gln	GAA Glu	GAG Glu	TAT Tyr	
				350					355						360	
GAA Glu	ATT Ile	GAC Asp	CCG Pro	TAC Tyr	GAA Glu	AAG Lys	TTC Phe	TGC Cys	TTC Phe	TCA Ser	GTC Val	AGG Arg	TTT Phe	AAA Lys	GCG Ala	
				365					370					375		
TAC Tyr	CCA Pro	CGA Arg	ATC Ile	CGA Arg	TGC Cys	ACG Thr	TGG Trp	ATC Ile	TTC Phe	TCT Ser	CAA Gln	GCC Ala	TCA Ser	TTT Phe	CCT Pro	
			380					385					390			
TGT Cys	GAA Glu	CAG Gln	AGA Arg	GGC Gly	CTG Leu	GAG Glu	GAT Asp	GGG Gly	TAC Tyr	AGC Ser	ATA Ile	TCT Ser	AAA Lys	TTT Phe	TGC Cys	
			395				400				405					
GAT Asp	CAT His	AAG Lys	AAC Asn	AAG Lys	CCA Pro	GGA Gly	GAG Glu	TAC Tyr	ATA Ile	TTC Phe	TAT Tyr	GCA Ala	GAA Glu	AAT Asn	GAT Asp	
			410			415					420					
GAC Asp	GCC Ala	CAG Gln	TTC Phe	ACC Thr	AAA Lys	ATG Met	TTC Phe	ACG Thr	CTG Leu	AAT Asn	ATA Ile	AGA Arg	AAG Lys	AAA Lys	CCT Pro	
					430					435					440	

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FIG. 1a.2

CAA	GTG	CTA	GCA	AAT	GCC	TCA	GCC	AGC	CAG	GCG	TCC	TGT	TCC	TCT	GAT	
Gln	Val	Leu	Ala	Asn	Ala	Ser	Ala	Ser	Gln	Ala	Ser	Cys	Ser	Ser	Asp	
				445					450						455	
GGC	TAC	CCG	CTA	CCC	TCT	TGG	ACC	TGG	AAG	AAG	TGT	TCG	GAC	AAA	TCT	
Gly	Tyr	Pro	Leu	Pro	Ser	Trp	Thr	Trp	Lys	Lys	Cys	Ser	Asp	Lys	Ser	
			460					465						470		
CCC	AAT	TGC	ACG	GAG	GAA	ATC	CCA	GAA	GGA	GTT	TGG	AAT	AAA	AAG	GCT	
Pro	Asn	Cys	Thr	Glu	Glu	Ile	Pro	Glu	Gly	Val	Trp	Asn	Lys	Lys	Ala	
		475					480						485			
AAC	AGA	AAA	GTG	TTT	GGC	CAG	TGG	GTG	TCG	AGC	AGT	ACT	CTA	AAT	ATG	
Asn	Arg	Lys	Val	Phe	Gly	Gln	Trp	Val	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Leu	Asn	Met	
	490					495					500					
AGT	GAG	GCC	GGG	AAA	GGG	CTT	CTG	GTC	AAA	TGC	TGT	GCG	TAC	AAT	TCT	
Ser	Glu	Ala	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Leu	Val	Lys	Cys	Cys	Ala	Tyr	Asn	Ser	
505					510					515					520	
ATG	GGC	ACG	TCT	TGC	GAA	ACC	ATC	TTT	TTA	AAC	TCA	CCA	GGC	CCC	TTC	
Met	Gly	Thr	Ser	Cys	Glu	Thr	Ile	Phe	Leu	Asn	Ser	Pro	Gly	Pro	Phe	
				525					530					535		
CCT	TTC	ATC	CAA	GAC	AAC	ATC	TCC	TTC	TAT	GCG	ACC	ATT	GGG	CTC	TGT	
Pro	Phe	Ile	Gln	Asp	Asn	Ile	Ser	Phe	Tyr	Ala	Thr	Ile	Gly	Leu	Cys	
			540					545					550			
CTC	CCC	TTC	ATT	GTT	GTT	CTC	ATT	GTG	TTG	ATC	TGC	CAC	AAA	TAC	AAA	
Leu	Pro	Phe	Ile	Val	Val	Leu	Ile	Val	Leu	Ile	Cys	His	Lys	Tyr	Lys	
		555					560					565				
AAG	CAA	TTT	AGG	TAC	GAG	AGT	CAG	CTG	CAG	ATG	ATC	CAG	GTG	ACT	GGC	
Lys	Gln	Phe	Arg	Tyr	Glu	Ser	Gln	Leu	Gln	Met	Ile	Gln	Val	Thr	Gly	
	570					575					580					
CCC	CTG	GAT	AAC	GAG	TAC	TTC	TAC	GTT	GAC	TTC	AGG	GAC	TAT	GAA	TAT	
Pro	Leu	Asp	Asn	Glu	Tyr	Phe	Tyr	Val	Asp	Phe	Arg	Asp	Tyr	Glu	Tyr	
585					590					595					600	
GAC	CTT	AAG	TGG	GAG	TTC	CCG	AGA	GAG	AAC	TTA	GAG	TTT	GGG	AAG	GTC	
Asp	Leu	Lys	Trp	Glu	Phe	Pro	Arg	Glu	Asn	Leu	Glu	Phe	Gly	Lys	Val	
				605					610					615		
CTG	GGG	TCT	GGC	GCT	TTC	GGG	AGG	GTG	ATG	AAC	GCC	ACG	GCC	TAT	GGC	
Leu	Gly	Ser	Gly	Ala	Phe	Gly	Arg	Val	Met	Asn	Ala	Thr	Ala	Tyr	Gly	
			620					625					630			
ATT	AGT	AAA	ACG	GGA	GTC	TCA	ATT	CAG	GTG	GCG	GTG	AAG	ATG	CTA	AAA	
Ile	Ser	Lys	Thr	Gly	Val	Ser	Ile	Gln	Val	Ala	Val	Lys	Met	Leu	Lys	
		635					640					645				
GAG	AAA	GCT	GAC	AGC	TGT	GAA	AAA	GAA	GCT	CTC	ATG	TCG	GAG	CTC	AAA	
Glu	Lys	Ala	Asp	Ser	Cys	Glu	Lys	Glu	Ala	Leu	Met	Ser	Glu	Leu	Lys	
	650					655					660					

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FIG. 1a.2

ATG Met 665	ATG Met 665	ACC Thr 665	CAC His 665	CTG Leu 665	GGA Gly 670	CAC His 670	CAT His 670	GAC Asp 670	AAC Asn 675	ATC Ile 675	GTG Val 675	AAT Asn 675	CTG Leu 680	CTG Leu 680	GGG Gly 680
GCA Ala 685	TGC Cys 685	ACA Thr 685	CTG Leu 685	TCA Ser 685	GGG Gly 685	CCA Pro 685	GTG Val 690	TAC Tyr 690	TTG Leu 690	ATT Ile 690	TTT Phe 690	GAA Glu 695	TAT Tyr 695	TGT Cys 695	TGC Cys 695
TAT Tyr 700	GGT Gly 700	GAC Asp 700	CTC Leu 700	CTC Leu 700	AAC Asn 705	TAC Tyr 705	CTA Leu 705	AGA Arg 705	AGT Ser 710	AAA Lys 710	AGA Arg 710	GAG Glu 710	AAG Lys 710	TTT Phe 710	CAC His 710
AGG Arg 715	ACA Thr 715	TGG Trp 715	ACA Thr 715	GAG Glu 720	ATT Ile 720	TTT Phe 720	AAG Lys 720	GAA Glu 725	CAT His 725	AAT Asn 725	TTC Phe 725	AGT Ser 725	TCT Ser 725	TAC Tyr 725	CCT Pro 725
ACT Thr 730	TTC Phe 730	CAG Gln 735	GCA Ala 735	CAT His 735	TCA Ser 735	AAT Asn 735	TCC Ser 740	AGC Ser 740	ATG Met 740	CCT Pro 740	GGT Gly 740	TCA Ser 740	CGA Arg 740	GAA Glu 740	GTT Val 740
CAG Gln 745	TTA Leu 745	CAC His 750	CCG Pro 750	CCC Pro 750	TTG Leu 750	GAT Asp 750	CAG Gln 755	CTC Leu 755	TCA Ser 755	GGG Gly 755	TTC Phe 755	AAT Asn 755	GGG Gly 755	AAT Asn 755	TCA Ser 755
ATT Ile 765	CAT His 765	TCT Ser 765	GAA Glu 765	GAT Asp 765	GAG Glu 765	ATT Ile 765	GAA Glu 770	TAT Tyr 770	GAA Glu 770	AAC Asn 770	CAG Gln 775	AAG Lys 775	AGG Arg 775	CTG Leu 775	GCA Ala 775
GAA Glu 780	GAA Glu 780	GAG Glu 780	GAG Glu 780	GAA Glu 780	GAT Asp 780	TTG Leu 785	AAC Asn 785	GTG Val 785	CTG Leu 785	ACG Thr 790	TTT Phe 790	GAA Glu 790	GAC Asp 790	CTC Leu 790	CTT Leu 790
TGC Cys 795	TTT Phe 795	GCG Ala 795	TAC Tyr 795	CAA Gln 800	GTG Val 800	GCC Ala 800	AAA Lys 800	GGC Gly 805	ATG Met 805	GAA Glu 805	TTC Phe 805	CTG Leu 805	GAG Glu 805	TTC Phe 805	AAG Lys 805
TCG Ser 810	TGT Cys 810	GTC Val 815	CAC His 815	AGA Arg 815	GAC Asp 815	CTG Leu 815	GCA Ala 820	GCC Ala 820	AGG Arg 820	AAT Asn 820	GTG Val 820	TTG Leu 820	GTC Val 820	ACC Thr 820	CAC His 820
GGG Gly 825	AAG Lys 825	GTG Val 830	GTG Val 830	AAG Lys 830	ATC Ile 830	TGT Cys 830	GAC Asp 835	TTT Phe 835	GGA Gly 835	CTG Leu 835	GCC Ala 835	CGA Arg 835	GAC Asp 835	ATC Ile 840	CTG Leu 840
AGC Ser 845	GAC Asp 845	TCC Ser 845	AGC Ser 845	TAC Tyr 845	GTC Val 850	GTC Val 850	AGG Arg 850	GGC Gly 850	AAC Asn 850	GCA Ala 855	CGG Arg 855	CTG Leu 855	CCG Pro 855	GTG Val 855	AAG Lys 855
TGG Trp 860	ATG Met 860	GCA Ala 860	CCC Pro 860	GAG Glu 865	AGC Ser 865	TTA Leu 865	TTT Phe 865	GAA Glu 865	GGG Gly 865	ATC Ile 870	TAC Tyr 870	ACA Thr 870	ATC Ile 870	AAG Lys 870	AGT Ser 870
GAC Asp 875	GTC Val 875	TGG Trp 875	TCC Ser 875	TAC Tyr 880	GGC Gly 880	ATC Ile 880	CTT Leu 880	CTC Leu 880	TGG Trp 885	GAG Glu 885	ATA Ile 885	TTT Phe 885	TCA Ser 885	CTG Leu 885	GGT Gly 885

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FIG. 1a.3

GTG	AAC	CCT	TAC	CCT	GGC	ATT	CCT	GTC	GAC	GCT	AAC	TTC	TAT	AAA	CTG
Val	Asn	Pro	Tyr	Pro	Gly	Ile	Pro	Val	Asp	Ala	Asn	Phe	Tyr	Lys	Leu
890						895					900				
ATT	CAG	AGT	GGA	TTT	AAA	ATG	GAG	CAG	CCA	TTC	TAT	GCC	ACA	GAA	GGG
Ile	Gln	Ser	Gly	Phe	Lys	Met	Glu	Gln	Pro	Phe	Tyr	Ala	Thr	Glu	Gly
905					910					915					920
ATA	TAC	TTT	GTA	ATG	CAA	TCC	TGC	TGG	GCT	TTT	GAC	TCA	AGG	AAG	CGG
Ile	Tyr	Phe	Val	Met	Gln	Ser	Cys	Trp	Ala	Phe	Asp	Ser	Arg	Lys	Arg
				925					930					935	
CCA	TCC	TTC	CCC	AAC	CTG	ACT	TCA	TTT	TTA	GGA	TGT	CAG	CTG	GCA	GAG
Pro	Ser	Phe	Pro	Asn	Leu	Thr	Ser	Phe	Leu	Gly	Cys	Gln	Leu	Ala	Glu
			940					945					950		
GCA	GAA	GAA	GCA	TGT	ATC	AGA	ACA	TCC	ATC	CAT	CTA	CCA	AAA	CAG	GCG
Ala	Glu	Glu	Ala	Cys	Ile	Arg	Thr	Ser	Ile	His	Leu	Pro	Lys	Gln	Ala
	955						960					965			
GCC	CCT	CAG	CAG	AGA	GGC	GGG	CTC	AGA	GCC	CAG	TCG	CCA	CAG	CGC	CAG
Ala	Pro	Gln	Gln	Arg	Gly	Gly	Leu	Arg	Ala	Gln	Ser	Pro	Gln	Arg	Gln
970						975					980				
GTG	AAG	ATT	CAC	AGA	GAA	AGA	AGT	TAGCGAGGAG	GCCTTGGACC	CCGCCACCCT					
Val	Lys	Ile	His	Arg	Glu	Arg	Ser								
985					990										

AGCAGGCTGT AGACCGCAGA GCCAAGATTA GCCTCGCCTC TGAGGAAGCG CCCTACAGCG
CGTTGCTTCG CTGGACTTTT CTCTAGATGC TGTCTGCCAT TACTCCAAAG TGA CTTCTAT
AAAATCAAAC CTCTCCTCGC ACAGGCGGGA GAGCCAATAA TGAGACTTGT TGGTGAGCCC
GCCTACCCTG GGGGCCTTTC CACGAGCTTG AGGGGAAAGC CATGTATCTG AAATATAGTA
TATTCTTGTA AATACGTGAA ACAAACCAAA CCCGTTTTTT GCTAAGGGAA AGCTAAATAT
GATTTTTTAAA AATCTATGTT TTAAAATACT ATGTAAC TTT TTCATCTATT TAGTGATATA
TTTTATGGAT GGAAATAAAC TTTCTACTGT AAAAAAAAAA AAAAAAAAAA AAAAAA

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FIG. 1b.

AAC	AAT	GAT	TCA	TCA	GTG	GGG	AAG	TCA	TCA	TCA	TAT	CCC	ATG	GTA	TCA	
Asn	Asn	Asp	Ser	Ser	Val	Gly	Lys	Ser	Ser	Ser	Tyr	Pro	Met	Val	Ser	
1				5					10					15		
GAA	TCC	CCG	GAA	GAC	CTC	GGG	TGT	GCG	TTG	AGA	CCC	CAG	AGC	TCA	GGG	
Glu	Ser	Pro	Glu	Asp	Leu	Gly	Cys	Ala	Leu	Arg	Pro	Gln	Ser	Ser	Gly	
			20					25					30			
ACA	GTG	TAC	GAA	GCT	GCC	GCT	GTG	GAA	GTG	GAT	GTA	TCT	GCT	TCC	ATC	
Thr	Val	Tyr	Glu	Ala	Ala	Ala	Val	Glu	Val	Asp	Val	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ile	
		35					40					45				
ACA	CTG	CAA	GTG	CTG	GTC	GAT	GCC	CCA	GGG	AAC	ATT	TCC	TGT	CTC	TGG	
Thr	Leu	Gln	Val	Leu	Val	Asp	Ala	Pro	Gly	Asn	Ile	Ser	Cys	Leu	Trp	
	50					55					60					
GTC	TTT	AAG	CAC	AGC	TCC	CTG	AAT	TGC	CAG	CCA	CAT	TTT	GAT	TTA	CAA	
Val	Phe	Lys	His	Ser	Ser	Leu	Asn	Cys	Gln	Pro	His	Phe	Asp	Leu	Gln	
65					70					75				80		
AAC	AGA	GGA	GTT	GTT	TCC	ATG	GTC	ATT	TTG	AAA	ATG	ACA	GAA	ACC	CAA	
Asn	Arg	Gly	Val	Val	Ser	Met	Val	Ile	Leu	Lys	Met	Thr	Glu	Thr	Gln	
				85					90					95		
GCT	GGA	GAA	TAC	CTA	CTT	TTT	ATT	CAG	AGT	GAA	GCT	ACC	AAT	TA		
Ala	Gly	Glu	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Phe	Ile	Gln	Ser	Glu	Ala	Thr	Asn			
			100					105					110			

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FIG. 1c.

GAT	CAA	ATC	TCA	GGC	TTC	ATG	GAA	TTC	ATT	CAC	TCT	GAA	GAT	GAA	ATT
Asp	Gln	Ile	Ser	Gly	Phe	Met	Glu	Phe	Ile	His	Ser	Glu	Asp	Glu	Ile
1				5					10					15	
GAA	TAT	GAA	AAC	CAA	AAA	AAG	AGG	CTG	GAA	GAA	GAG	GAG	GAC	TTG	AAT
Glu	Tyr	Glu	Asn	Gln	Lys	Lys	Arg	Leu	Glu	Glu	Glu	Glu	Asp	Leu	Asn
			20					25					30		
GTG	CTT	ACA	TTT	GAA	GAT	CTT	CTT	TGC	TTT	GCA	TAT	CAA	GTT	GCC	AAA
Val	Leu	Thr	Phe	Glu	Asp	Leu	Leu	Cys	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Gln	Val	Ala	Lys
		35					40					45			
GGA	ATG	GAA	TTT	AAG	TCG	TGT	GTT	CAC	AGA	GAC	CTG	GCC	GCC	AGG	AAC
Gly	Met	Glu	Phe	Lys	Ser	Cys	Val	His	Arg	Asp	Leu	Ala	Ala	Arg	Asn
	50					55					60				
GTG	CTT	GTC	ACC	CAC	GGG	AAA	GTG	GTG	AAG	ATA	TGT	GAC	TTT	GGA	TTG
Val	Leu	Val	Thr	His	Gly	Lys	Val	Val	Lys	Ile	Cys	Asp	Phe	Gly	Leu
65					70					75					80
GCT	CGA	GAT	ATC	ATG	AGT	GAT	TCC	GGC	TAT	GTT	GTC	AGG	CAA		
Ala	Arg	Asp	Ile	Met	Ser	Asp	Ser	Gly	Tyr	Val	Val	Arg	Gln		
				85					90						

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FIG. 2.

CTGTGTCCCG CAGCCGGATA ACCTGGCTGA CCCGATTCCG CGGACACCCG TGCAGCCGCG
 GCTGGAGCCA GGGCGCCGGT GCCCGCGCTC TCCCCGGTCT TGCGCTGCGG GGGCCGATAC
 CGCCTCTGTG ACTTCTTTGC GGGCCAGGGA CGGAGAAGGA GTCTGTGCCT GAGAAACTGG
 GCTCTGTGCC CAGGCGCGAG GTGCAGG ATG GAG AGC AAG GGC CTG CTA GCT
 Met Glu Ser Lys Gly Leu Leu Ala
 1 5

GTC GCT CTG TGG TTC TGC GTG GAG ACC CGA GCC GCC TCT GTG GGT TTG
 Val Ala Leu Trp Phe Cys Val Glu Thr Arg Ala Ala Ser Val Gly Leu
 10 15 20

CCT GGC GAT TTT CTC CAT CCC CCC AAG CTC AGC ACA CAG AAA GAC ATA
 Pro Gly Asp Phe Leu His Pro Pro Lys Leu Ser Thr Gln Lys Asp Ile
 25 30 35 40

CTG ACA ATT TTG GCA AAT ACA ACC CTT CAG ATT ACT TGC AGG GGA CAG
 Leu Thr Ile Leu Ala Asn Thr Thr Leu Gln Ile Thr Cys Arg Gly Gln
 45 50 55

CGG GAC CTG GAC TGG CTT TGG CCC AAT GCT CAG CGT GAT TCT GAG GAA
 Arg Asp Leu Asp Trp Leu Trp Pro Asn Ala Gln Arg Asp Ser Glu Glu
 60 65 70

AGG GTA TTG GTG ACT GAA TGC GGC GGT GGT GAC AGT ATC TTC TGC AAA
 Arg Val Leu Val Thr Glu Cys Gly Gly Gly Asp Ser Ile Phe Cys Lys
 75 80 85

ACA CTC ACC ATT CCC AGG GTG GTT GGA AAT GAT ACT GGA GCC TAC AAG
 Thr Leu Thr Ile Pro Arg Val Val Gly Asn Asp Thr Gly Ala Tyr Lys
 90 95 100

TGC TCG TAC CGG GAC GTC GAC ATA GCC TCC ACT GTT TAT GTC TAT GTT
 Cys Ser Tyr Arg Asp Val Asp Ile Ala Ser Thr Val Tyr Val Tyr Val
 105 110 115 120

CGA GAT TAC AGA TCA CCA TTC ATC GCC TCT GTC AGT GAC CAG CAT GGC
 Arg Asp Tyr Arg Ser Pro Phe Ile Ala Ser Val Ser Asp Gln His Gly
 125 130 135

ATC GTG TAC ATC ACC GAG AAC AAG AAC AAA ACT GTG GTG ATC CCC TGC
 Ile Val Tyr Ile Thr Glu Asn Lys Asn Lys Thr Val Val Ile Pro Cys
 140 145 150

CGA GGG TCG ATT TCA AAC CTC AAT GTG TCT CTT TGC GCT AGG TAT CCA
 Arg Gly Ser Ile Ser Asn Leu Asn Val Ser Leu Cys Ala Arg Tyr Pro
 155 160 165

GAA AAG AGA TTT GTT CCG GAT GGA AAC AGA ATT TCC TGG GAC AGC GAG
 Glu Lys Arg Phe Val Pro Asp Gly Asn Arg Ile Ser Trp Asp Ser Glu
 170 175 180

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FIG. 2.

ATA Ile 185	GGC Gly	TTT Phe	ACT Thr	CTC Leu	CCC Pro 190	AGT Ser	TAC Tyr	ATG Met	ATC Ile	AGC Ser 195	TAT Tyr	GCC Ala	GGC Gly	ATG Met	GTC Val 200
TTC Phe	TGT Cys	GAG Glu	GCA Ala	AAG Lys 205	ATC Ile	AAT Asn	GAT Asp	GAA Glu	ACC Thr 210	TAT Tyr	CAG Gln	TCT Ser	ATC Ile	ATG Met 215	TAC Tyr
ATA Ile	GTT Val	GTG Val	GTT Val 220	GTA Val	GGA Gly	TAT Tyr	AGG Arg	ATT Ile 225	TAT Tyr	GAT Asp	GTG Val	ATT Ile	CTG Leu 230	AGC Ser	CCC Pro
CCG Pro	CAT His	GAA Glu 235	ATT Ile	GAG Glu	CTA Leu	TCT Ser	GCC Ala 240	GGA Gly	GAA Glu	AAA Lys	CTT Leu	GTC Val 245	TTA Leu	AAT Asn	TGT Cys
ACA Thr 250	GCG Ala	AGA Arg	ACA Thr	GAG Glu	CTC Leu	AAT Asn 255	GTG Val	GGG Gly	CTT Leu	GAT Asp	TTC Phe 260	ACC Thr	TGG Trp	CAC His	TCT Ser
CCA Pro 265	CCT Pro	TCA Ser	AAG Lys	TCT Ser	CAT His 270	CAT His	AAG Lys	AAG Lys	ATT Ile	GTA Val 275	AAC Asn	CGG Arg	GAT Asp	GTG Val	AAA Lys 280
CCC Pro	TTT Phe	CCT Pro	GGG Gly	ACT Thr 285	GTG Val	GCG Ala	AAG Lys	ATG Met	TTT Phe 290	TTG Leu	AGC Ser	ACC Thr	TTG Leu	ACA Thr 295	ATA Ile
GAA Glu	AGT Ser	GTG Val	ACC Thr 300	AAG Lys	AGT Ser	GAC Asp	CAA Gln	GGG Gly 305	GAA Glu	TAC Tyr	ACC Thr	TGT Cys	GTA Val 310	GCG Ala	TCC Ser
AGT Ser	GGA Gly	CGG Arg 315	ATG Met	ATC Ile	AAG Lys	AGA Arg	AAT Asn 320	AGA Arg	ACA Thr	TTT Phe	GTC Val	CGA Arg 325	GTT Val	CAC His	ACA Thr
AAG Lys	CCT Pro 330	TTT Phe	ATT Ile	GCT Ala	TTC Phe	GGT Gly 335	AGT Ser	GGG Gly	ATG Met	AAA Lys	TCT Ser 340	TTG Leu	GTG Val	GAA Glu	GCC Ala
ACA Thr 345	GTG Val	GGC Gly	AGT Ser	CAA Gln	GTC Val 350	CGA Arg	ATC Ile	CCT Pro	GTG Val	AAG Lys 355	TAT Tyr	CTC Leu	AGT Ser	TAC Tyr	CCA Pro 360
GCT Ala	CCT Pro	GAT Asp	ATC Ile	AAA Lys 365	TGG Trp	TAC Tyr	AGA Arg	AAT Asn	GGA Gly 370	AGG Arg	CCC Pro	ATT Ile	GAG Glu	TCC Ser 375	AAC Asn
TAC Tyr	ACA Thr	ATG Met	ATT Ile 380	GTT Val	GGC Gly	GAT Asp	GAA Glu	CTC Leu 385	ACC Thr	ATC Ile	ATG Met	GAA Glu	GTG Val 390	ACT Thr	GAA Glu
AGA Arg	GAT Asp 395	GCA Ala	GGA Gly	AAC Asn	TAC Tyr	ACG Thr	GTC Val 400	ATC Ile	CTC Leu	ACC Thr	AAC Asn	CCC Pro 405	ATT Ile	TCA Ser	ATG Met

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FIG. 2.1

GAG Glu 410	AAA Lys	CAG Gln	AGC Ser	CAC His	ATG Met	GTC Val	TCT Ser	CTG Leu	GTT Val	GTG Val	AAT Asn	GTC Val	CCA Pro	CCC Pro	CAG Gln
ATC Ile 425	GGT Gly	GAG Glu	AAA Lys	GCC Ala	TTG Leu	ATC Ile	TCG Ser	CCT Pro	ATG Met	GAT Asp	TCC Ser	TAC Tyr	CAG Gln	TAT Tyr	GGG Gly 440
ACC Thr	ATG Met	CAG Gln	ACA Thr	TTG Leu	ACA Thr	TGC Cys	ACA Thr	GTC Val	TAC Tyr	GCC Ala	AAC Asn	CCT Pro	CCC Pro	CTG Leu	CAC His 455
CAC His	ATC Ile	CAG Gln	TGG Trp	TAC Tyr	TGG Trp	CAG Gln	CTA Leu	GAA Glu	GAA Glu	GCC Ala	TGC Cys	TCC Ser	TAC Tyr	AGA Arg	CCC Pro 470
GGC Gly	CAA Gln	ACA Thr	AGC Ser	CCG Pro	TAT Tyr	GCT Ala	TGT Cys	AAA Lys	GAA Glu	TGG Trp	AGA Arg	CAC His	GTG Val	GAG Glu	GAT Asp 485
TTC Phe	CAG Gln	GGG Gly	GGA Gly	AAC Asn	AAG Lys	ATC Ile	GAA Glu	GTC Val	ACC Thr	AAA Lys	AAC Asn	CAA Gln	TAT Tyr	GCC Ala	CTG Leu 500
ATT Ile 505	GAA Glu	GGA Gly	AAA Lys	AAC Asn	AAA Lys	ACT Thr	GTA Val	AGT Ser	ACG Thr	CTG Leu	GTC Val	ATC Ile	CAA Gln	GCT Ala	GCC Ala 520
AAC Asn	GTG Val	TCA Ser	GCG Ala	TTG Leu	TAC Tyr	AAA Lys	TGT Cys	GAA Glu	GCC Ala	ATC Ile	AAC Asn	AAA Lys	GCG Ala	GGA Gly	CGA Arg 535
GGA Gly	GAG Glu	AGG Arg	GTC Val	ATC Ile	TCC Ser	TTC Phe	CAT His	GTG Val	ATC Ile	AGG Arg	GGT Gly	CCT Pro	GAA Glu	ATT Ile	ACT Thr 550
GTG Val	CAA Gln	CCT Pro	GCT Ala	GCC Ala	CAG Gln	CCA Pro	ACT Thr	GAG Glu	CAG Gln	GAG Glu	AGT Ser	GTG Val	TCC Ser	CTG Leu	TTG Leu 565
TGC Cys	ACT Thr	GCA Ala	GAC Asp	AGA Arg	AAT Asn	ACG Thr	TTT Phe	GAG Glu	AAC Asn	CTC Leu	ACG Thr	TGG Trp	TAC Tyr	AAG Lys	CTT Leu 580
GGC Gly 585	TCA Ser	CAG Gln	GCA Ala	ACA Thr	TCG Ser	GTC Val	CAC His	ATG Met	GGC Gly	GAA Glu	TCA Ser	CTC Leu	ACA Thr	CCA Pro	GTT Val 600
TGC Cys	AAG Lys	AAC Asn	TTG Leu	GAT Asp	GCT Ala	CTT Leu	TGG Trp	AAA Lys	CTG Leu	AAT Asn	GGC Gly	ACC Thr	ATG Met	TTT Phe	TCT Ser 615
AAC Asn	AGC Ser	ACA Thr	AAT Asn	GAC Asp	ATC Ile	TTG Leu	ATT Ile	GTG Val	GCA Ala	TTT Phe	CAG Gln	AAT Asn	GCC Ala	TCT Ser	CTG Leu 630

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FIG. 2.1

CAG Gln	GAC Asp	CAA Gln	GGC Gly	GAC Asp	TAT Tyr	GTT Val	TGC Cys	TCT Ser	GCT Ala	CAA Gln	GAT Asp	AAG Lys	AAG Lys	ACC Thr	AAG Lys
635															
AAA Lys	AGA Arg	CAT His	TGC Cys	CTG Leu	GTC Val	AAA Lys	CAG Gln	CTC Leu	ATC Ile	ATC Ile	CTA Leu	GAG Glu	CGC Arg	ATG Met	GCA Ala
650															
CCC Pro	ATG Met	ATC Ile	ACC Thr	GGA Gly	AAT Asn	CTG Leu	GAG Glu	AAT Asn	CAG Gln	ACA Thr	ACA Thr	ACC Thr	ATT Ile	GGC Gly	GAG Glu
665															
ACC Thr	ATT Ile	GAA Glu	GTG Val	ACT Thr	TGC Cys	CCA Pro	GCA Ala	TCT Ser	GGA Gly	AAT Asn	CCT Pro	ACC Thr	CCA Pro	CAC His	ATT Ile
685															
ACA Thr	TGG Trp	TTC Phe	AAA Lys	GAC Asp	AAC Asn	GAG Glu	ACC Thr	CTG Leu	GTA Val	GAA Glu	GAT Asp	TCA Ser	GGC Gly	ATT Ile	GTA Val
700															
CTG Leu	AGA Arg	GAT Asp	GGG Gly	AAC Asn	CGG Arg	AAC Asn	CTG Leu	ACT Thr	ATC Ile	CGC Arg	AGG Arg	GTG Val	AGG Arg	AAG Lys	GAG Glu
715															
GAT Asp	GGA Gly	GGC Gly	CTC Leu	TAC Tyr	ACC Thr	TGC Cys	CAG Gln	GCC Ala	TGC Cys	AAT Asn	GTC Val	CTT Leu	GGC Gly	TGT Cys	GCA Ala
730															
AGA Arg	GCG Ala	GAG Glu	ACG Thr	CTC Leu	TTC Phe	ATA Ile	ATA Ile	GAA Glu	GGT Gly	GCC Ala	CAG Gln	GAA Glu	AAG Lys	ACC Thr	AAC Asn
745															
TTG Leu	GAA Glu	GTC Val	ATT Ile	ATC Ile	CTC Leu	GTC Val	GGC Gly	ACT Thr	GCA Ala	GTG Val	ATT Ile	GCC Ala	ATG Met	TTC Phe	TTC Phe
765															
TGG Trp	CTC Leu	CTT Leu	CTT Leu	GTC Val	ATT Ile	CTC Leu	GTA Val	CGG Arg	ACC Thr	GTT Val	AAG Lys	CGG Arg	GCC Ala	AAT Asn	GAA Glu
780															
GGG Gly	GAA Glu	CTG Leu	AAG Lys	ACA Thr	GGC Gly	TAC Tyr	TTG Leu	TCT Ser	ATT Ile	GTC Val	ATG Met	GAT Asp	CCA Pro	GAT Asp	GAA Glu
795															
TTG Leu	CCC Pro	TTG Leu	GAT Asp	GAG Glu	CGC Arg	TGT Cys	GAA Glu	CGC Arg	TTG Leu	CCT Pro	TAT Tyr	GAT Asp	GCC Ala	AGC Ser	AAG Lys
810															
TGG Trp	GAA Glu	TTC Phe	CCC Pro	AGG Arg	GAC Asp	CGG Arg	CTG Leu	AAA Lys	CTA Leu	GGA Gly	AAA Lys	CCT Pro	CTT Leu	GGC Gly	CGC Arg
825															
GGT Gly	GCC Ala	TTC Phe	GGC Gly	CAA Gln	GTG Val	ATT Ile	GAG Glu	GCA Ala	GAC Asp	GCT Ala	TTT Phe	GGA Gly	ATT Ile	GAC Asp	AAG Lys
845															
850															
855															

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FIG. 2.2

ACA	GCG	ACT	TGC	AAA	ACA	GTA	GCC	GTC	AAG	ATG	TTG	AAA	GAA	GGA	GCA			
Thr	Ala	Thr	Cys	Lys	Thr	Val	Ala	Val	Lys	Met	Leu	Lys	Glu	Gly	Ala	860	865	870
ACA	CAC	AGC	GAG	CAT	CGA	GCC	CTC	ATG	TCT	GAA	CTC	AAG	ATC	CTC	ATC			
Thr	His	Ser	Glu	His	Arg	Ala	Leu	Met	Ser	Glu	Leu	Lys	Ile	Leu	Ile	875	880	885
CAC	ATT	GGT	CAC	CAT	CTC	AAT	GTG	GTG	AAC	CTC	CTA	GGC	GCC	TGC	ACC			
His	Ile	Gly	His	His	Leu	Asn	Val	Val	Asn	Leu	Leu	Gly	Ala	Cys	Thr	890	895	900
AAG	CCG	GGA	GGG	CCT	CTC	ATG	GTG	ATT	GTG	GAA	TTC	TCG	AAG	TTT	GGA			
Lys	Pro	Gly	Gly	Pro	Leu	Met	Val	Ile	Val	Glu	Phe	Ser	Lys	Phe	Gly	905	910	920
AAC	CTA	TCA	ACT	TAC	TTA	CGG	GCG	AAG	AGA	AAT	GAA	TTT	GTT	CCC	TAT			
Asn	Leu	Ser	Thr	Tyr	Leu	Arg	Gly	Lys	Arg	Asn	Glu	Phe	Val	Pro	Tyr	925	930	935
AAG	AGC	AAA	GGG	GCA	CGC	TTC	CGC	CAG	GCG	AAG	GAC	TAC	GTT	GGG	GAG			
Lys	Ser	Lys	Gly	Ala	Arg	Phe	Arg	Gln	Gly	Lys	Asp	Tyr	Val	Gly	Glu	940	945	950
CTC	TCC	GTG	GAT	CTG	AAA	AGA	CGC	TTG	GAC	AGC	ATC	ACC	AGC	AGC	CAG			
Leu	Ser	Val	Asp	Leu	Lys	Arg	Arg	Leu	Asp	Ser	Ile	Thr	Ser	Ser	Gln	955	960	965
AGC	TCT	GCC	AGC	TCA	GGC	TTT	GTT	GAG	GAG	AAA	TCG	CTC	AGT	GAT	GTA			
Ser	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ser	Gly	Phe	Val	Glu	Glu	Lys	Ser	Leu	Ser	Asp	Val	970	975	980
GAG	GAA	GAA	GAA	GCT	TCT	GAA	GAA	CTG	TAC	AAG	GAC	TTC	CTG	ACC	TTG			
Glu	Glu	Glu	Glu	Ala	Ser	Glu	Glu	Leu	Tyr	Lys	Asp	Phe	Leu	Thr	Leu	985	990	1000
GAG	CAT	CTC	ATC	TGT	TAC	AGC	TTC	CAA	GTG	GCT	AAG	GGC	ATG	GAG	TTC			
Glu	His	Leu	Ile	Cys	Tyr	Ser	Phe	Gln	Val	Ala	Lys	Gly	Met	Glu	Phe	1005	1010	1015
TTG	GCA	TCA	AGG	AAG	TGT	ATC	CAC	AGG	GAC	CTG	GCA	GCA	CGA	AAC	ATT			
Leu	Ala	Ser	Arg	Lys	Cys	Ile	His	Arg	Asp	Leu	Ala	Ala	Arg	Asn	Ile	1020	1025	1030
CTC	CTA	TCG	GAG	AAG	AAT	GTG	GTT	AAG	ATC	TGT	GAC	TTC	GGC	TTG	GCC			
Leu	Leu	Ser	Glu	Lys	Asn	Val	Val	Lys	Ile	Cys	Asp	Phe	Gly	Leu	Ala	1035	1040	1045
CGG	GAC	ATT	TAT	AAA	GAC	CCG	GAT	TAT	GTC	AGA	AAA	GGA	GAT	GCC	CGA			
Arg	Asp	Ile	Tyr	Lys	Asp	Pro	Asp	Tyr	Val	Arg	Lys	Gly	Asp	Ala	Arg	1050	1055	1060
CTC	CCT	TTG	AAG	TGG	ATG	GCC	CCG	GAA	ACC	ATT	TTT	GAC	AGA	GTA	TAC			
Leu	Pro	Leu	Lys	Trp	Met	Ala	Pro	Glu	Thr	Ile	Phe	Asp	Arg	Val	Tyr	1065	1070	1080

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FIG. 2.2

ACA	ATT	CAG	AGC	GAT	GTG	TGG	TCT	TTC	GGT	GTG	TTG	CTC	TGG	GAA	ATA		
Thr	Ile	Gln	Ser	Asp	Val	Trp	Ser	Phe	Gly	Val	Leu	Leu	Trp	Glu	Ile	1085	1095
TTT	TCC	TTA	GGT	GCC	TCC	CCA	TAC	CCT	GGG	GTC	AAG	ATT	GAT	GAA	GAA		
Phe	Ser	Leu	Gly	Ala	Ser	Pro	Tyr	Pro	Gly	Val	Lys	Ile	Asp	Glu	Glu	1100	1110
TTT	TGT	AGG	AGA	TTG	AAA	GAA	GGA	ACT	AGA	ATG	CGG	GCT	CCT	GAC	TAC		
Phe	Cys	Arg	Arg	Leu	Lys	Glu	Gly	Thr	Arg	Met	Arg	Ala	Pro	Asp	Tyr	1115	1125
ACT	ACC	CCA	GAA	ATG	TAC	CAG	ACC	ATG	CTG	GAC	TGC	TGG	CAT	GAG	GAC		
Thr	Thr	Pro	Glu	Met	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Met	Leu	Asp	Cys	Trp	His	Glu	Asp	1130	1140
CCC	AAC	CAG	AGA	CCC	TCG	TTT	TCA	GAG	TTG	GTG	GAG	CAT	TTG	GGA	AAC		
Pro	Asn	Gln	Arg	Pro	Ser	Phe	Ser	Glu	Leu	Val	Glu	His	Leu	Gly	Asn	1145	1160
CTC	CTG	CAA	GCA	AAT	GCG	CAG	CAG	GAT	GGC	AAA	GAC	TAT	ATT	GTT	CTT		
Leu	Leu	Gln	Ala	Asn	Ala	Gln	Gln	Asp	Gly	Lys	Asp	Tyr	Ile	Val	Leu	1165	1175
CCA	ATG	TCA	GAG	ACA	CTG	AGC	ATG	GAA	GAG	GAT	TCT	GGA	CTC	TCC	CTG		
Pro	Met	Ser	Glu	Thr	Leu	Ser	Met	Glu	Glu	Asp	Ser	Gly	Leu	Ser	Leu	1180	1190
CCT	ACC	TCA	CCT	GTT	TCC	TGT	ATG	GAG	GAA	GAG	GAA	GTG	TGC	GAC	CCC		
Pro	Thr	Ser	Pro	Val	Ser	Cys	Met	Glu	Glu	Glu	Glu	Val	Cys	Asp	Pro	1195	1205
AAA	TTC	CAT	TAT	GAC	AAC	ACA	GCA	GGA	ATC	AGT	CAT	TAT	CTC	CAG	AAC		
Lys	Phe	His	Tyr	Asp	Asn	Thr	Ala	Gly	Ile	Ser	His	Tyr	Leu	Gln	Asn	1210	1220
AGT	AAG	CGA	AAG	AGC	CGG	CCA	GTG	AGT	GTA	AAA	ACA	TTT	GAA	GAT	ATC		
Ser	Lys	Arg	Lys	Ser	Arg	Pro	Val	Ser	Val	Lys	Thr	Phe	Glu	Asp	Ile	1225	1240
CCA	TTG	GAG	GAA	CCA	GAA	GTA	AAA	GTG	ATC	CCA	GAT	GAC	AGC	CAG	ACA		
Pro	Leu	Glu	Glu	Pro	Glu	Val	Lys	Val	Ile	Pro	Asp	Asp	Ser	Gln	Thr	1245	1255
GAC	AGT	GGG	ATG	GTC	CTT	GCA	TCA	GAA	GAG	CTG	AAA	ACT	CTG	GAA	GAC		
Asp	Ser	Gly	Met	Val	Leu	Ala	Ser	Glu	Glu	Leu	Lys	Thr	Leu	Glu	Asp	1260	1270
AGG	AAC	AAA	TTA	TCT	CCA	TCT	TTT	GGT	GGA	ATG	ATG	CCC	AGT	AAA	AGC		
Arg	Asn	Lys	Leu	Ser	Pro	Ser	Phe	Gly	Gly	Met	Met	Pro	Ser	Lys	Ser	1275	1285
AGG	GAG	TCT	GTG	GCC	TCG	GAA	GGC	TCC	AAC	CAG	ACC	AGT	GGC	TAC	CAG		
Arg	Glu	Ser	Val	Ala	Ser	Glu	Gly	Ser	Asn	Gln	Thr	Ser	Gly	Tyr	Gln	1290	1300

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FIG. 2.3

TCT GGG TAT CAC TCA GAT GAC ACA GAC ACC ACC GTG TAC TCC AGC GAC
 Ser Gly Tyr His Ser Asp Asp Thr Asp Thr Thr Val Tyr Ser Ser Asp
 1305 1310 1315 1320

GAG GCA GGA CTT TTA AAG ATG GTG GAT GCT GCA GTT CAC GCT GAC TCA
 Glu Ala Gly Leu Leu Lys Met Val Asp Ala Ala Val His Ala Asp Ser
 1325 1330 1335

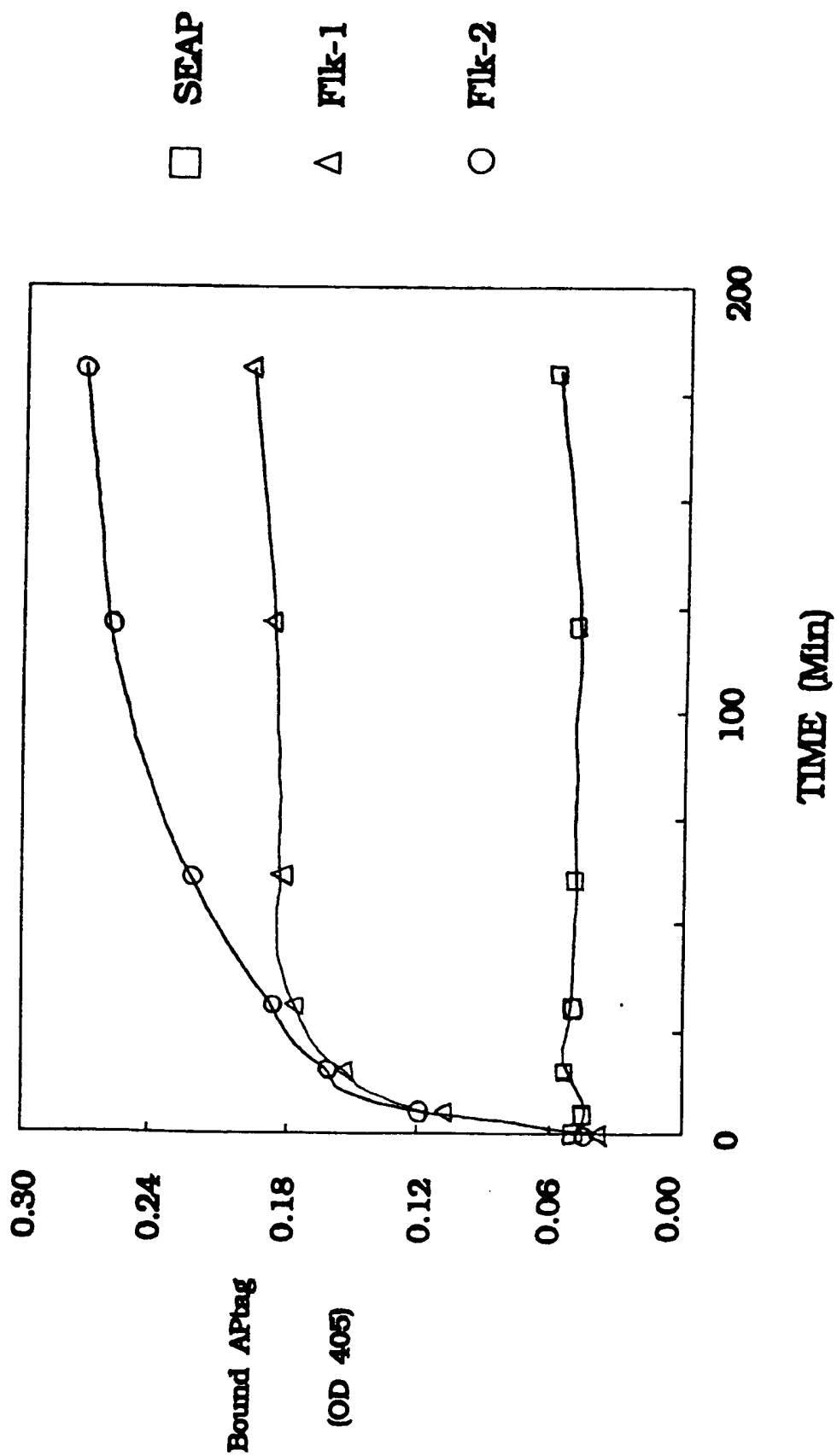
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 Gly Thr Thr Leu Gln Leu Thr Ser Cys Leu Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro Val
 1340 1345 1350

CCG GCT CCG CCC CCA ACT CCT GGA AAT CAC GAG AGA GGT GCT GCT TAG
 Pro Ala Pro Pro Pro Thr Pro Gly Asn His Glu Arg Gly Ala Ala
 1355 1360 1365

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 GACCCAAGAA TGTGTTGACT CTACTCTCTT TTCCATTCAT TTAAAAGTCC TATATAATGT
 GCCCTGCTGT GGTCTCACTA CCAGTTAAAG CAAAAGACTT TCAAACACGT GGA CTCTGTC
 CTCCAAGAAG TGGCAACGGC ACCTCTGTGA AACTGGATCG AATGGGCAAT GCTTTGTGTG
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 CGTCCGGAGA GCGGTTGGAG CCTGCAGATG CATTGTGCTG GCTCTGGTGG AGGTGGGCTT
 GTGGCCTGTC AGGAAACGCA AAGGCGGCCG GCAGGGTTTG GTTTTGGAAAG GTTTGCGTGC
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 TAATCACTAG CCAGATTTCG AAATTACTTT TTAGCCGAGG TTATGATAAC ATCTACTGTA
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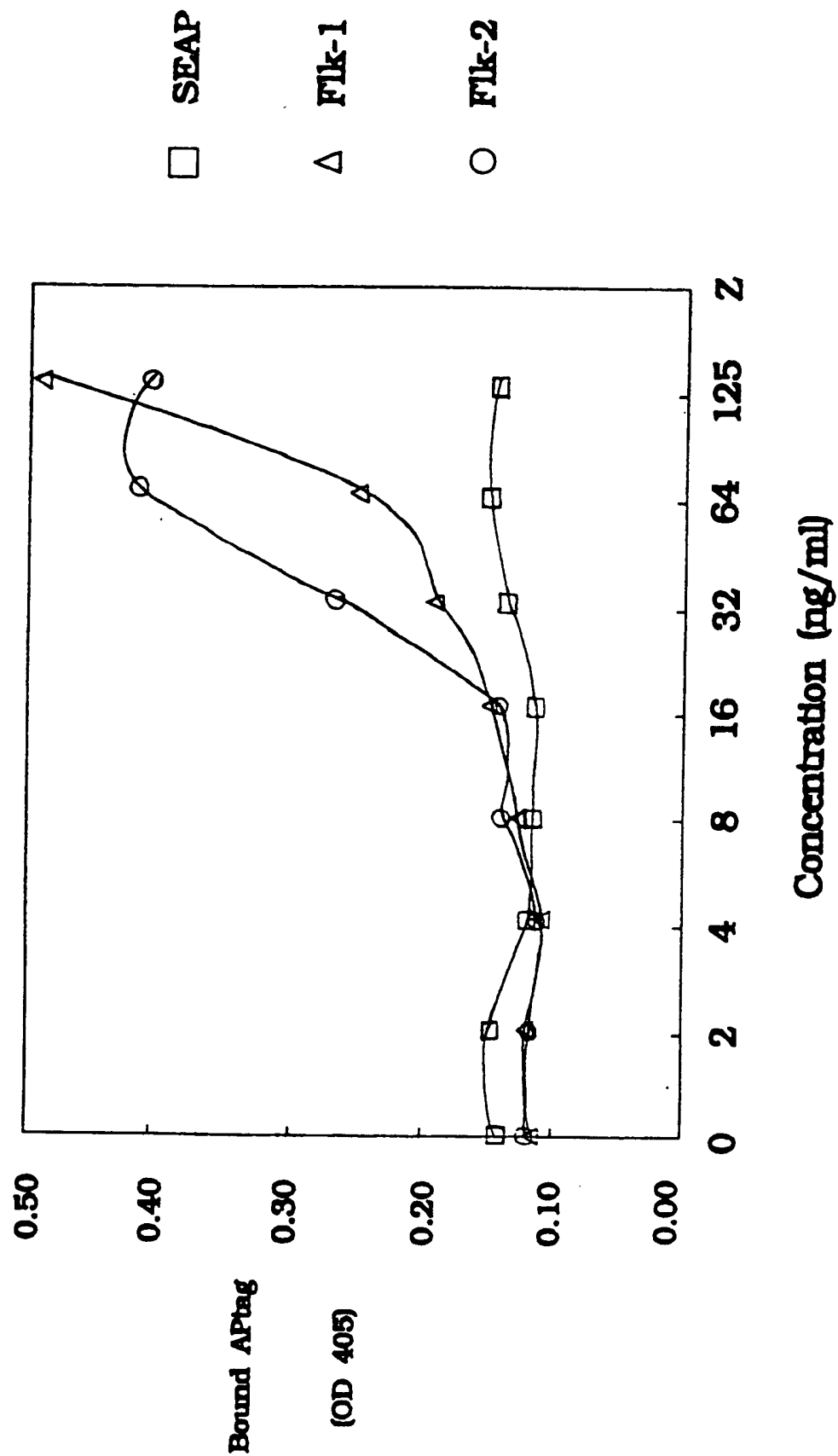
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FIGURE 4



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